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User's Guide

I. MANUAL FORMAT

LARGE PAGE/LARGE TYPE

The 8½ x 11-inch page size and large type size facilitate effective and efficient use of the Manual.

BLEED TABS

A "bleed tab" on each page helps the user turn to the desired article quickly.

ARTICLE TABLE OF CONTENTS

At the beginning of each article is an abbreviated table of contents to assist the user in locating specific information within the article.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES

General principles that are considered of particular importance in helping the user understand the rationale for the detailed regulations that follow are presented at the beginning of appropriate articles.

DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

Following the general principles in most articles is a section in which definitions and applications are provided for a number of the more important words or terms used in that article.

DECIMAL NUMBERING WITH TOPIC HEADINGS

The decimal numbering system provides efficiency and flexibility. Section headings, to at least the fourth subsection level, and for further subsections where appropriate, assist the user in identifying the section content, thus facilitating ready access to pertinent regulations. This system also facilitates a "hanging indention" presentation, which helps the reader relate the subsections to the basic section. Since each division's manual does not contain legislation specific to the other division(s), some bylaws may have gaps in the numbering sequence.

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21.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

21.02.1 Association-Wide Committees. Association-wide committees deal with issues that affect all members of the Association and perform duties necessary to the on-going operation of the Association. Association-wide committees are comprised of members from each of the Association's divisions. (Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97) *

21.02.2 Common Committees. Common committees deal with issues that apply to more than one division of the Association. Common committees perform duties necessary to the on-going operation of the applicable divisions and are comprised of members from the applicable divisions. (Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97) *

21.02.3 Federated Committees. Federated committees deal with issues that apply to a specific membership division. Federated committees perform duties necessary to the on-going operation of that division and are comprised only of members from that division. (Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97) *

21.1 ASSOCIATION-WIDE COMMITTEES—GENERAL COMMITTEES

21.1.1 Method of Selection and Operation. Each division's governance structure shall appoint members to serve on the general Association-wide committees of the Association, consistent with that division's committee-appointment procedures (see Bylaws 21.6, 21.7 and 21.8). The membership of each committee shall include representatives from each of the Association's membership divisions. The Executive Committee shall ratify the appointment of all individuals serving on Association-wide committees and shall appoint the chairs of those committees. The Executive Committee also shall ratify policies regarding length, location and expenses of Association-wide committee meetings. Association-wide committees are set forth in Bylaws 21.1.2 through 21.1.12. (Revised: 1/10/90, 1/16/93, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97) #

21.1.2 Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, Committee on

21.1.2.1 Composition. The Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports shall consist of 16 members, including five positions allocated for men, five allocated for women and six unallocated. The membership of the committee shall be constituted as follows: #

- Two athletics directors or senior woman athletics administrators, one man and one woman;
- One member who is an active coach;
- One member active in exercise physiology research;
- Three members from the field of medicine, of whom at least one shall be a woman and one shall be a primary-care team physician; (Revised: 1/10/91)
- One man and one woman, one of whom is responsible for the total athletics training programs at member institutions; (Revised: 1/10/95)
- One member representing the field of law;
- One member of the NCAA Football Rules Committee;
- One member representing secondary school interests;

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COMMITTEES

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Symbols for voting requirements appear in the outside margin opposite each regulation. See page x for a complete explanation of all symbols. Each division's manual contains legislation specific to the applicable division and does not contain legislation pertaining only to one or both of the other divisions.

II. ORGANIZATION OF ARTICLES IN THREE DISTINCT CATEGORIES

All regulations governing the administration of intercollegiate athletics appear in the bylaws. The constitution contains only principles for the conduct of intercollegiate athletics and other basic information.

Constitution

Articles 1 through 6 are the constitution, which consists of information relevant to the purposes of the Association, its structure, its membership and legislative-process information, and the more important principles for the conduct of intercollegiate athletics.

- Article 1** Name, Purposes and Fundamental Policy
- Article 2** Principles for Conduct of Intercollegiate Athletics
- Article 3** NCAA Membership
- Article 4** Organization
- Article 5** Legislative Authority and Process
- Article 6** Institutional Control

Operating Bylaws

Articles 10 through 23 are the operating bylaws, which consist of legislation adopted by the membership to promote the principles enunciated in the constitution and to achieve the Association's purposes.

- Article 10** Ethical Conduct
- Article 11** Conduct and Employment of Athletics Personnel
- Article 12** Amateurism
- Article 13** Recruiting
- Article 14** Eligibility: Academic and General Requirements
- Article 15** Financial Aid
- Article 16** Awards, Benefits and Expenses for Enrolled Student-Athletes
- Article 17** Playing and Practice Seasons
- Article 18** Championships and Postseason Football
- Article 19** Enforcement
- Article 20** Division Membership
- Article 21** Committees
- Article 22** Football Television Plans and Regulations
- Article 23** Athletics Certification

Administrative Bylaws

Articles 30 through 33 are administrative bylaws, which set forth policies and procedures for the implementation of (a) the general legislative actions of the Association, (b) the NCAA championships and the business of the Association, (c) the Association's enforcement program and (d) the Association's athletics certification program. These administrative bylaws may be adopted or modified by the applicable divisional presidential administrative groups in Divisions I and II and the Management Council in Division III (administrative regulations; on recommendation of the Committee on Infractions in Divisions I and II and the Eligibility and Infractions Committee in Division III, enforcement policies and procedures; and, on recommendation of the Committee on Athletics Certification, athletics certification policies and procedures; and executive regulations) for the efficient administration of the activities that they govern. These same bylaws also may be amended by a majority vote of the membership [or applicable division(s)] at NCAA Conventions.

- Article 30** Administrative Regulations
- Article 31** Executive Regulations
- Article 32** Enforcement Policies and Procedures
- Article 33** Athletics Certification Policies and Procedures

III. VOTING REQUIREMENTS FOR MANUAL

The Manual attempts to present all regulations on a given subject in logical order. As a result, different paragraphs in the same sections may carry different voting requirements. The following terms designate voting requirements currently in effect for sections in the Manual:

- **Dominant provision**—Legislation that is derived from the constitution in the 1988-89 Manual (the Manual format that was employed until the membership approved the revised format at the 1989 Convention). All such legislation is identified by an asterisk (*) in the margin and requires a two-thirds majority vote of the total membership (present and voting) for adoption or amendment.
- **Common provision**—Legislation that is derived from the common bylaws (9, 10, 12 and 13) in the 1988-89 Manual. All such legislation is identified by a pound sign (#) in the margin and requires a majority vote of each of the three divisions, voting separately, for adoption or amendment.
- **General provision**—Legislation that applies to all three divisions and that requires a simple majority vote of all divisions, voting jointly, for adoption or amendment (e.g., enforcement procedures, some executive regulations). Such legislation is identified by a plus sign (+) in the margin.
- **Federated provision**—Legislation that is derived from divided bylaws in the 1988-89 Manual. Such legislation can be adopted or amended by a majority vote of one or more of the divisions (or, in some cases, subdivisions), voting separately. A federated provision is identified by the Roman numeral(s) of the division(s) to which it applies.
- **Division dominant**—A division dominant provision is one that applies to all members of a division and is of sufficient importance to the division that it requires a two-thirds majority vote of all delegates present and voting at a division’s annual or special Convention. Division dominant provisions are identified by a diamond symbol (◆) in the margin.

Note: The authorization for adoption and amendment of each of the administrative bylaws (30, 31, 32 and 33) is set forth as provided in 5.2.3.1, 5.2.3.2 and 5.2.3.3.

Amendments to existing sections of the Manual have the same voting requirement as the section does now. The Executive Committee is authorized to establish the voting requirement for any new section when the content or context does not clearly determine it. The authorization for this is set forth in 5.3.9.1.

Symbols Designating Voting Requirements and Divisions
for which Federated Legislation is Applicable

Provision	Symbol	Provision	Symbol
Dominant	*	(Federated)	
Common	#	Divisions I-A and I-AA	I-A/I-AA
General	+	Division II	II
Federated		Division III	III
Applicable to all divisions	I/II/III	Divisions I and II	I/II
Division I	I	Divisions I and III	I/III
Division I-A	I-A	Divisions II and III	II/III
Division I-AA	I-AA	Division dominant	◆

IV. DIAGRAMS AND TABLES

Diagrams and tables are included as supplements to the text to help present the content of certain regulations in a clear and concise manner and are not intended to substitute for the actual legislation. They are presented as “Figures” and are listed on page vii. With the exception of Bylaw 17, all diagrams and tables related to a given article of the Constitution or a particular bylaw have been placed at the back of the article or bylaw.

EXAMPLE

FIGURE 14-1 Minimum Core-Curriculum and Grade-Point Average Requirements for Initial Eligibility		
Courses	Rule in effect prior to August 1, 1995	Effective August 1, 1995 (for those student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 1995)
English	3 years	3 years
Mathematics	2 years	2 years
Natural/physical science	2 years	2 years
Social science	2 years	2 years
Additional academic courses in English, math or natural/physical science	—	2 years
Additional academic courses in any of the above areas or foreign language, computer science, philosophy or non-doctrinal religion	2 years	2 years
Core-curriculum grade-point average	2.000	2.000

V. LEGISLATION THAT IS SHADED/SCREENED

Legislation that was adopted by the 2000 Convention is set off by a gray background and contains the date of adoption or revision. Interpretations, noncontroversial amendments and modifications of wording approved by the Council are set off by a gray background and include an adoption or revision date.

13.4.2.3 Electronic Information. An institution may produce and show electronically stored information about the institution to a prospect or the prospect's coach but may not send it or leave it with the prospect or coach. Information may include still photos and printed text that is electronically stored and delivered, and relates directly to a particular institution and city. Further, the printed text shall cover only information pertaining to the institution's student services, academic admissions, catalog and campus life in addition to basic information pertaining to the immediate town/city where the institution is located. (*Adopted: 1/11/00*)

VI. NOTATION OF LEGISLATION WITH DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE

Legislation with a delayed effective date (e.g., adopted by the 2000 Convention, effective August 1, 2001) is enclosed in a box and set off by a gray background. The first item in each box is a notation of the action taken at a Convention and the date the amendment becomes effective. It will be shaded. The legislation currently applicable follows and does not have a gray background. The legislation as amended, scheduled to take effect at a later date, is next and is set off by a gray background. Because this manual is effective August 1, 2000, the only legislation that will be shown in this manner is that which is to be effective August 1, 2001, or later.

<p>The following 3.2.1.4 was revised for Division III by the 1997 NCAA Convention, effective August 1, 2001:</p>
<p>3.2.1.4 Four-Sport/Three-Season Requirement. The institution shall sponsor and conduct a representative schedule in a minimum of four varsity intercollegiate sports that involve all-male teams or mixed teams of males and females and four varsity intercollegiate sports that involve all-female teams, subject to the requirements of the institution’s conference(s), if any. At least one sport involving an all-male team or a mixed team of males and females and at least one sport involving an all-female team shall be conducted in every sport season. An institution may utilize a sport to meet the three-season requirement only if the institution has met the minimum contest and participants requirements for sports sponsorship in that sport as set forth in 20.8.3.3 (Division I), 20.9.3.5 (Division II) or 20.10.3.2 (Division III). See 3.2.4.11 for details of the member’s obligations in meeting this requirement. <i>(Revised: 1/16/93)</i></p>
<p>3.2.1.4 Four-Sport/Three-Season Requirement—Divisions I and II. The institution shall sponsor and conduct a representative schedule in a minimum of four varsity intercollegiate sports that involve all-male teams or mixed teams of males and females and four varsity intercollegiate sports that involve all-female teams, subject to the requirements of the institution’s conference(s), if any. At least one sport involving an all-male team or a mixed team of males and females and at least one sport involving an all-female team shall be conducted in every sport season. An institution may utilize a sport to meet the three-season requirement only if the institution has met the minimum contest and participants requirements for sports sponsorship in that sport as set forth in 20.8.3.3 (Division I), 20.9.3.5 (Division II) or 20.10.3.2 (Division III). See 3.2.4.11 for details of the member’s obligations in meeting this requirement. <i>(Revised: 1/16/93)</i></p>

VII. ORGANIZATION OF THE NCAA MANUAL

Divisions I, II and III each have a master manual containing Articles 1-33. Each division's manual contains legislation specific to the applicable division and does not contain legislation pertaining only to one or both of the other divisions. However, legislation that includes references to one or both of the other divisions will appear in its entirety. In addition, since each division's manual does not contain legislation specific to the other division(s), some bylaws may have gaps in the numbering sequence.

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CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 1

Name, Purposes and Fundamental Policy

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1.1 NAME

The name of this organization shall be “The National Collegiate Athletic Association.” *

1.2 PURPOSES

The purposes of this Association are: *

- (a) To initiate, stimulate and improve intercollegiate athletics programs for student-athletes and to promote and develop educational leadership, physical fitness, athletics excellence and athletics participation as a recreational pursuit;
- (b) To uphold the principle of institutional control of, and responsibility for, all intercollegiate sports in conformity with the constitution and bylaws of this Association;
- (c) To encourage its members to adopt eligibility rules to comply with satisfactory standards of scholarship, sportsmanship and amateurism;
- (d) To formulate, copyright and publish rules of play governing intercollegiate athletics;
- (e) To preserve intercollegiate athletics records;
- (f) To supervise the conduct of, and to establish eligibility standards for, regional and national athletics events under the auspices of this Association;
- (g) To cooperate with other amateur athletics organizations in promoting and conducting national and international athletics events;
- (h) To legislate, through bylaws or by resolutions of a Convention, upon any subject of general concern to the members related to the administration of intercollegiate athletics; and
- (i) To study in general all phases of competitive intercollegiate athletics and establish standards whereby the colleges and universities of the United States can maintain their athletics programs on a high level.

1.3 FUNDAMENTAL POLICY

1.3.1 Basic Purpose. The competitive athletics programs of member institutions are designed to be a vital part of the educational system. A basic purpose of this Association is to maintain intercollegiate athletics as an integral part of the educational program and the athlete as an integral part of the student body and, by so doing, retain a clear line of demarcation between intercollegiate athletics and professional sports. *

1.3.2 Obligations of Member Institutions. Legislation governing the conduct of intercollegiate athletics programs of member institutions shall apply to basic athletics issues such as admissions, financial aid, eligibility and recruiting. Member institutions shall be obligated to apply and enforce this legislation, and the enforcement procedures of the Association shall be applied to an institution when it fails to fulfill this obligation. *

Principles for Conduct of Intercollegiate Athletics

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2.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLE

Legislation enacted by the Association governing the conduct of intercollegiate athletics shall be designed to advance one or more basic principles, including the following, to which the members are committed. In some instances, a delicate balance of these principles is necessary to help achieve the objectives of the Association.

2.1 THE PRINCIPLE OF INSTITUTIONAL CONTROL AND RESPONSIBILITY

2.1.1 Responsibility for Control. It is the responsibility of each member institution to control its intercollegiate athletics program in compliance with the rules and regulations of the Association. The institution's chief executive officer is responsible for the administration of all aspects of the athletics program, including approval of the budget and audit of all expenditures.

2.1.2 Scope of Responsibility. The institution's responsibility for the conduct of its intercollegiate athletics program includes responsibility for the actions of its staff members and for the actions of any other individual or organization engaged in activities promoting the athletics interests of the institution.

2.2 THE PRINCIPLE OF STUDENT-ATHLETE WELFARE

Intercollegiate athletics programs shall be conducted in a manner designed to protect and enhance the physical and educational welfare of student-athletes.

2.2.1 Overall Educational Experience. It is the responsibility of each member institution to establish and maintain an environment in which a student-athlete's activities are conducted as an integral part of the student-athlete's educational experience. *(Adopted: 1/10/95)*

2.2.2 Cultural Diversity and Gender Equity. It is the responsibility of each member institution to establish and maintain an environment that values cultural diversity and gender equity among its student-athletes and intercollegiate athletics department staff. *(Adopted: 1/10/95)*

2.2.3 Health and Safety. It is the responsibility of each member institution to protect the health of and provide a safe environment for each of its participating student-athletes. *(Adopted: 1/10/95)*

2.2.4 Student-Athlete/Coach Relationship. It is the responsibility of each member institution to establish and maintain an environment that fosters a positive relationship between the student-athlete and coach. *(Adopted: 1/10/95)*

2.2.5 Fairness, Openness and Honesty. It is the responsibility of each member institution to ensure that coaches and administrators exhibit fairness, openness and honesty in their relationships with student-athletes. *(Adopted: 1/10/95)*

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- * **2.2.6 Student-Athlete Involvement.** It is the responsibility of each member institution to involve student-athletes in matters that affect their lives. *(Adopted: 1/10/95)*

2.3 THE PRINCIPLE OF GENDER EQUITY

- * **2.3.1 Compliance with Federal and State Legislation.** It is the responsibility of each member institution to comply with federal and state laws regarding gender equity. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
- * **2.3.2 NCAA Legislation.** The Association should not adopt legislation that would prevent member institutions from complying with applicable gender-equity laws, and should adopt legislation to enhance member institutions' compliance with applicable gender-equity laws. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
- * **2.3.3 Gender Bias.** The activities of the Association should be conducted in a manner free of gender bias. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

2.4 THE PRINCIPLE OF SPORTSMANSHIP AND ETHICAL CONDUCT

For intercollegiate athletics to promote the character development of participants, to enhance the integrity of higher education and to promote civility in society, student-athletes, coaches, and all others associated with these athletics programs and events should adhere to such fundamental values as respect, fairness, civility, honesty and responsibility. These values should be manifest not only in athletics participation but also in the broad spectrum of activities affecting the athletics program. It is the responsibility of each institution to: *(Revised: 1/9/96)*

- (a) Establish policies for sportsmanship and ethical conduct in intercollegiate athletics consistent with the educational mission and goals of the institution; and *(Adopted: 1/9/96)*
- (b) Educate, on a continuing basis, all constituencies about the policies in Constitution 2.4-(a). *(Adopted: 1/9/96)*

2.5 THE PRINCIPLE OF SOUND ACADEMIC STANDARDS

Intercollegiate athletics programs shall be maintained as a vital component of the educational program, and student-athletes shall be an integral part of the student body. The admission, academic standing and academic progress of student-athletes shall be consistent with the policies and standards adopted by the institution for the student body in general.

2.6 THE PRINCIPLE OF NONDISCRIMINATION

The Association shall promote an atmosphere of respect for and sensitivity to the dignity of every person. It is the policy of the Association to refrain from discrimination with respect to its governance policies, educational programs, activities and employment policies, including on the basis of age, color, disability, gender, national origin, race, religion, creed or sexual orientation. It is the responsibility of each member institution to determine independently its own policy regarding nondiscrimination. *(Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/11/00)*

2.7 THE PRINCIPLE OF DIVERSITY WITHIN GOVERNANCE STRUCTURES

The Association shall promote diversity of representation within its various divisional governance structures and substructures. Each divisional governing body must assure gender and ethnic diversity among the membership of the bodies in the division's administrative structure. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

2.8 THE PRINCIPLE OF RULES COMPLIANCE

- * **2.8.1 Responsibility of Institution.** Each institution shall comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Association in the conduct of its intercollegiate athletics programs. It shall monitor its programs to assure compliance and to identify and report to the Association instances in which compliance has not been achieved. In any such instance, the institution shall cooperate fully with the Association and shall take appropriate corrective actions. Members of an institution's staff, student-athletes, and other individuals and groups representing the institution's athletics interests shall comply with the applicable Association rules, and the member institution shall be responsible for such compliance.
- * **2.8.2 Responsibility of Association.** The Association shall assist the institution in its efforts to achieve full compliance with all rules and regulations and shall afford the institution, its staff and student-athletes fair procedures in the consideration of an identified or alleged failure in compliance.
- * **2.8.3 Penalty for Noncompliance.** An institution found to have violated the Association's rules shall be subject to such disciplinary and corrective actions as may be determined by the Association.

2.9 THE PRINCIPLE OF AMATEURISM

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Student-athletes shall be amateurs in an intercollegiate sport, and their participation should be motivated primarily by education and by the physical, mental and social benefits to be derived. Student participation in intercollegiate athletics is an avocation, and student-athletes should be protected from exploitation by professional and commercial enterprises.

2.10 THE PRINCIPLE OF COMPETITIVE EQUITY

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The structure and programs of the Association and the activities of its members shall promote opportunity for equity in competition to assure that individual student-athletes and institutions will not be prevented unfairly from achieving the benefits inherent in participation in intercollegiate athletics.

2.11 THE PRINCIPLE GOVERNING RECRUITING

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The recruiting process involves a balancing of the interests of prospective student-athletes, their educational institutions and the Association's member institutions. Recruiting regulations shall be designed to promote equity among member institutions in their recruiting of prospects and to shield them from undue pressures that may interfere with the scholastic or athletics interests of the prospects or their educational institutions.

2.12 THE PRINCIPLE GOVERNING ELIGIBILITY

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Eligibility requirements shall be designed to assure proper emphasis on educational objectives, to promote competitive equity among institutions and to prevent exploitation of student-athletes.

2.13 THE PRINCIPLE GOVERNING FINANCIAL AID

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A student-athlete may receive athletically related financial aid administered by the institution without violating the principle of amateurism, provided the amount does not exceed the cost of education authorized by the Association; however, such aid as defined by the Association shall not exceed the cost of attendance as published by each institution. Any other financial assistance, except that received from one upon whom the student-athlete is naturally or legally dependent, shall be prohibited unless specifically authorized by the Association. *(Revised: 1/9/96)*

2.14 THE PRINCIPLE GOVERNING PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS

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The time required of student-athletes for participation in intercollegiate athletics shall be regulated to minimize interference with their opportunities for acquiring a quality education in a manner consistent with that afforded the general student body.

2.15 THE PRINCIPLE GOVERNING POSTSEASON COMPETITION AND CONTESTS SPONSORED BY NONCOLLEGIATE ORGANIZATIONS

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The conditions under which postseason competition occurs shall be controlled to assure that the benefits inherent in such competition flow fairly to all participants, to prevent unjustified intrusion on the time student-athletes devote to their academic programs, and to protect student-athletes from exploitation by professional and commercial enterprises.

2.16 THE PRINCIPLE GOVERNING THE ECONOMY OF ATHLETICS PROGRAM OPERATION

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Intercollegiate athletics programs shall be administered in keeping with prudent management and fiscal practices to assure the financial stability necessary for providing student-athletes with adequate opportunities for athletics competition as an integral part of a quality educational experience.

NCAA Membership

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3.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

3.01.1 Classes of Membership. The NCAA offers five classes of membership: active, conference, affiliated, corresponding and provisional. Eligibility for and method of election to membership, obligations and conditions for continuing membership, voting rights, and other membership privileges for each class are defined in this article. *(Revised: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94)*

3.01.2 Division Membership. Active and conference members of the NCAA may be divided into divisions for purposes of bylaw legislation and competition in NCAA championships. Criteria for membership in these divisions are defined in Bylaw 20.

3.01.3 Obligation to Meet Division Criteria. Division membership criteria constitute enforceable legislation. Each member institution shall comply with all applicable criteria of its division, and an institution that fails to do so shall be subject to the enforcement procedures, as well as to possible reclassification.

3.01.4 Assignment to Geographical Areas. Active and conference members are assigned to geographical areas for the purpose of representation on the Presidents Council and various committees, as well as to facilitate the work of the Association. Geographical districts and regions are defined in Constitution 4.10.

3.01.5 Termination or Suspension of Membership. All rights and privileges of a member shall cease immediately on termination or suspension of its membership.

3.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

3.02.1 Competitive Body. A competitive body is an athletics conference that conducts competition among its member institutions and determines a conference champion in one or more sports.

3.02.2 Legislative Body. A legislative body is an athletics conference that develops and maintains rules and regulations governing the athletics programs and activities of its member institutions.

3.02.3 Membership Categories

3.02.3.1 Active Member. An active member is a four-year college or university or a two-year upper-level collegiate institution accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency and duly elected to active membership under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.2.3). Active members have the right to compete in NCAA championships, to vote on legislation and other issues before the Association, and to enjoy other privileges of membership designated in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.

3.02.3.1.1 Athletics Consortium. An athletics consortium consists of one member institution and neighboring member or nonmember institutions (but not more than one nonmember institution), recognized and approved by a two-thirds vote of the Management Council. The student-athletes of the combined institutions are permitted to compete on the NCAA member institution's athletics teams, provided they meet the eligibility requirements of the NCAA and the member institution (see Constitution 3.1.2 and Bylaw 30.4).

3.02.3.2 Provisional Member. A provisional member is a four-year college or university or a two-year upper-level collegiate institution accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency and that has applied for active membership in the Association. Provisional membership is a prerequisite for active membership in the Association. The institution shall be elected to provisional membership under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.6.3). Provisional members shall receive all publications and mailings received by active members in addition to other privileges designated in the constitution and bylaws of the Association. Provisional membership is limited to a four-year period. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94)*

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3.02.3.3 Member Conference. A member conference is a group of colleges and/or universities that conducts competition among its members and determines a conference champion in one or more sports (in which the NCAA conducts championships or for which it is responsible for providing playing rules for intercollegiate competition), duly elected to conference membership under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.3.3). A member conference is entitled to all of the privileges of active members except the right to compete in NCAA championships (see Constitution 3.3.2). Only those conferences that meet specific criteria as competitive and legislative bodies (see Constitution 3.02.1 and 3.02.2) and minimum standards related to size and division status are permitted to vote on legislation or other issues before the Association.

3.02.3.4 Affiliated Member. An affiliated member is a nonprofit group or association whose function and purpose are directly related to one or more sports in which the NCAA conducts championships, duly elected to affiliated membership under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.4.3). An affiliated member is entitled to be represented by one nonvoting delegate at any NCAA Convention and enjoys other privileges as designated in the bylaws of the Association (see Constitution 3.4.2). *(Revised: 1/11/97 effective 8/1/97)*

3.02.3.5 Corresponding Member. A corresponding member is an institution, a nonprofit organization or a conference that is not eligible for active, provisional, conference or affiliated membership and desires to receive membership publications and mailings. A corresponding member duly elected under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.5.3) receives all publications and mailings received by the general NCAA membership and is not otherwise entitled to any membership privileges (see Constitution 3.5.2).

3.1 ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP

3.1.1 General. Membership is available to colleges, universities, athletics conferences or associations and other groups that are related to intercollegiate athletics; that have acceptable academic standards (as defined in Constitution 3.2.3.3), and that are located in the United States, its territories or possessions. Such institutions or organizations must accept and observe the principles set forth in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.

3.1.2 Athletics Consortiums. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve an athletics consortium involving a member institution and neighboring member or nonmember institutions, but not more than one nonmember institution, to permit the student-athletes of the combined institutions to compete on the member institution's intercollegiate athletics teams, provided the student-athletes satisfy the eligibility requirements of the member institution and the NCAA. The Management Council shall develop and publish appropriate criteria to be applied to such consortiums (see Bylaw 30.4 for criteria).

3.2 ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

3.2.1 Eligibility Requirements

3.2.1.1 Types of Institutions. Active membership is available to four-year colleges and universities and two-year upper-level collegiate institutions, accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency and duly elected to active membership under the provisions of Constitution 3.2.3.

3.2.1.2 Compliance with Association Rules. The institution shall administer its athletics programs in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association.

3.2.1.3 Standards. The institution's athletics programs shall reflect the establishment and maintenance of high standards of personal honor, eligibility and fair play.

3.2.1.4 Four-Sport/Three-Season Requirement. The institution shall sponsor and conduct a representative schedule in a minimum of four varsity intercollegiate sports that involve all-male teams or mixed teams of males and females and four varsity intercollegiate sports that involve all-female teams, subject to the requirements of the institution's conference(s), if any. At least one sport involving an all-male team or a mixed team of males and females and at least one sport involving an all-female team shall be conducted in every sport season. An institution may use a sport to meet the three-season requirement only if the institution has met the minimum contest and participants requirements for sports sponsorship in that sport as set forth in Bylaw 20.10.3.5. See Constitution 3.2.4.11 for details of the member's obligations in meeting this requirement. *(Revised: 1/16/93)*

3.2.1.5 Compliance Requirement. The institution shall be in compliance with Constitution 3.2.1.2, 3.2.1.3 and 3.2.1.4 at the time it makes application for active membership.

3.2.2 Privileges

3.2.2.1 Active Members. Active members shall be entitled to all of the privileges of membership under the constitution and bylaws of the Association and all privileges incidental thereto.

3.2.2.2 Use of Association's Registered Marks. Active members may use the registered marks of the Association (i.e., the Association's name, logo or other insignia) only in accordance with guidelines established by the Executive Committee.

3.2.3 Election Procedures

3.2.3.1 Voting Requirement. Procedures for election to active membership under this subsection are common provisions (see Constitution 5.02.1.2) established by majority vote of each of the three divisions voting separately.

3.2.3.2 Application. An institution desiring to become an active member of this Association shall complete a four-year provisional membership period (see Constitution 3.6). After it has been determined that the institution has met the requirements of provisional membership, its request for active membership will be referred to the Management Council for election. (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94*)

3.2.3.3 Accreditation and Division Classification. After it has been determined that the institution meets the Association's requirement of acceptable academic standards (i.e., the institution is accredited by one of the six regional accrediting agencies*), the application shall be considered with regard to requested membership division and sport classification in accordance with Bylaw 20. The application then shall be referred to the Management Council for consideration.

3.2.3.4 Election. A favorable vote by two-thirds of the Management Council members present and voting shall elect the applicant to membership effective the following September 1, the beginning of practice in any sport for that fall term or the first day of classes for that fall term, whichever occurs first. When the vote of the Management Council has been completed, the applicant shall be notified.

3.2.3.5 Resignation and Reelection to Membership. If an institution resigns its membership and subsequently applies to reestablish its membership, the institution first shall complete a three-year provisional membership period (see Constitution 3.6) before such institution becomes eligible for reelection as an active member. (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94*)

3.2.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership

3.2.4.1 General. The active members of this Association agree to administer their athletics programs in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association.

3.2.4.2 Obligation to Meet Division Criteria. Division membership criteria constitute enforceable legislation. Each member institution shall comply with all applicable criteria of its division, and an institution that fails to do so shall be subject to the enforcement procedures, as well as to possible reclassification.

3.2.4.3 Certification of Eligibility/Declaration of Ineligibility. The active member is responsible for certifying the eligibility of student-athletes under the terms of the constitution, bylaws or other legislation of the Association. Procedures for eligibility certification shall be approved by the chief executive officer, who may designate an individual on the institution's staff to administer proper certification of eligibility. The institution shall be obligated immediately to apply all applicable rules and withhold ineligible student-athletes from all intercollegiate competition (see Bylaw 14.11). See Bylaw 14.12 for procedures regarding restoration of eligibility.

3.2.4.4 Application of Rules to All Recognized Varsity Sports. The constitution, bylaws and other legislation of this Association, unless otherwise specified therein, shall apply to all teams in sports recognized by the member institution as varsity intercollegiate sports and that involve all-male teams, mixed teams of males and females, and all-female teams. To be recognized as a varsity sport, the following conditions must be met:

- (a) The sport shall be one in which the Association conducts championships, except as provided in Bylaw 20.10.3.4.1 or an emerging sport for women per Bylaw 20.02.5 (see timetable in Constitution 3.2.4.4.2 for application of legislation to emerging sports for women); (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/11/94, 1/10/95*)
- (b) The sport officially shall have been accorded varsity status by the institution's chief executive officer or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics;
- (c) The sport is administered by the department of intercollegiate athletics;
- (d) The eligibility of student-athletes participating in the sport shall be reviewed and certified by a staff member designated by the institution's chief executive officer or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics policy; and

* Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, New England Association of Schools and Colleges, North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

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- (e) Qualified participants in the sport shall receive the institution's official varsity awards.

3.2.4.4.1 Intent to Sponsor a Varsity Sport. Once an institution evidences an intent or commitment to sponsor a sport on a varsity level (e.g., official announcement that competition will be conducted on a varsity basis, employment of individuals to coach the varsity team), the institution must begin applying NCAA recruiting regulations to the applicable sport. (*Adopted: 1/14/97*)

3.2.4.4.2 Emerging Sports Timetable. The following timetable shall govern the application of legislation to emerging sports for women: (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

- (a) 1994-95—Financial aid legislation (see Bylaw 15.5.3.2) and minimum contests and participants requirements for sports sponsorship applicable to emerging sports programs.
- (b) 1995-96—Amateurism legislation (see Bylaw 12.01.5), seasons of competition legislation (see Bylaw 14.01.5.1) and awards and benefits legislation (see Bylaw 16.01.4) applicable to emerging sports programs.
- (c) 1996-97 and thereafter—Institutions must be in full compliance with all remaining NCAA legislation.

3.2.4.5 Student-Athlete Statement. The active member shall administer annually, on a form prescribed by the Management Council, a signed statement for each student-athlete that provides information prescribed in Bylaws 14.1.3 and 30.12.

3.2.4.5.1 Administrative Requirements. The statement shall be administered individually to each student-athlete by the athletics director or the athletics director's designee prior to the student's participation in intercollegiate competition each academic year. The athletics director and head coach in the sport in which the student-athlete participates shall sign each statement as required by the prescribed form. The statement shall be kept on file in the office of the athletics director, and such file shall be available for examination upon request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.

3.2.4.6 Drug-Testing Consent Form. The active member shall administer annually, on a form prescribed by the Management Council, a signed drug-testing consent form for each student-athlete (per Bylaw 12.02.5) in accordance with Bylaws 14.1.4 and 30.5. (*Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92*)

3.2.4.6.1 Administrative Requirements. In sports in which the Association conducts year-round drug testing, the consent form shall be administered individually to student-athletes each academic year at the time the intercollegiate squad first reports for practice or before the Monday of the institution's fourth week of classes, whichever date occurs first. In those sports in which the Association does not conduct year-round drug testing, the form shall be administered individually to each student-athlete before the institution's first scheduled intercollegiate competition. Failure to sign the consent form by the deadline shall result in the student-athlete's ineligibility for practice or competition until the student-athlete has signed the form. Failure to complete and sign the form before practice or competition may result in the student-athlete's ineligibility for participation in all intercollegiate athletics. The consent form shall be kept on file in the office of the director of athletics, and such file shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA (see Bylaw 14.1.4.1). (*Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92, Revised: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95*)

3.2.4.6.1.1 Exception—Nonrecruited Student-Athlete. A nonrecruited student-athlete in sports other than those sports involved in the Association's year-round drug-testing program may participate in preseason practice activities before the team's first contest or date of competition without signing the drug-testing consent form. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/10/95*)

3.2.4.7 Discipline of Members. In accordance with directions of the Management Council or the annual Convention, active members shall refrain from athletics competition with designated institutions as required under the provisions of the Association's enforcement procedures (see Bylaw 19).

3.2.4.8 Standards. Active members agree to establish and maintain high standards of personal honor, eligibility and fair play.

3.2.4.9 Publication of Satisfactory-Progress Requirements. Active members are obligated to publish their satisfactory-progress requirements for student-athletes (see Bylaw 14.4.1).

3.2.4.10 Guidelines for the Four-Sport/Three-Season Requirement. To meet the four-sport/three-season provision, active member institutions are obligated to comply with the requirements set forth in the following subsections.

3.2.4.10.1 Counting Multiseason Sports. If an institution sponsors the same sport in two different seasons, it may count the sport only in the season in which its team participates in the most contests. To be counted as a fall sport, the majority of an institution's contests or dates of competi-

tion would have to occur from September through December; to be counted as a winter sport, December through March; to be counted as a spring sport, February through May. (*Revised: 1/11/94*)

3.2.4.10.2 Meeting Three-Season Requirement. An institution may use a sport to meet the three-season requirement only if the institution has met the minimum contest and participants requirements for sports sponsorship in that sport as set forth in Bylaw 20.10.3.5. (*Adopted: 1/16/93*)

3.2.4.10.2.1 Waiver. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may waive the requirements of 3.2.4.11.2 due to circumstances beyond an institution's control. (*Adopted: 1/9/96*)

3.2.4.10.3 Mixed Team. A mixed team is a varsity intercollegiate sports team on which at least one individual of each gender competes.

3.2.4.10.4 Single-Gender Institution Exception. Institutions that sponsor and conduct athletics programs for only one gender need not meet the four-sport/three-season requirement for the other gender.

3.2.4.10.5 Male-Female Enrollment Ratio Waiver. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant waivers to the four-sport sponsorship requirement for men or women if the institution provides data to demonstrate that the male-female enrollment ratio prohibits the offering of the required number of sports for one or the other. The institution shall submit its request for a waiver to the Association's executive director, and it shall be received in the national office no later than October 1. Any request received after that date shall be postmarked no later than September 23. The request shall include pertinent information supporting the institution's request and shall be signed by the institution's chief executive officer. (*Revised: 1/10/90*)

3.2.4.10.6 Three-Season Sport Waiver. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may waive the requirement that an active member shall conduct at least one sport in every sport season if the institution is precluded by its academic calendar and climatic conditions from conducting a sport in a particular season.

3.2.4.11 Missed Class-Time Policies. Active members are obligated to establish policies in all sports concerning student-athletes' missed class time due to participation in intercollegiate athletics and in athletics competition scheduled during final examination periods (see Bylaw 17.1.6.5.1).

3.2.4.12 Compliance-Related Forms. A member institution shall not be eligible to enter a team or individual competitors in an NCAA championship unless its chief executive officer makes an annual institutional eligibility certification [see Bylaw 18.4.2.1-(d)] attesting that the conditions specified have been satisfied. (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

3.2.5 Loss of Active Membership

3.2.5.1 Termination or Suspension. The membership of any active member failing to maintain the academic or athletics standards required for such membership or failing to meet the conditions and obligations of membership may be suspended, terminated or otherwise disciplined by a vote of two-thirds of the delegates present and voting at an annual Convention. Membership shall not be suspended or terminated unless:

- (a) A notice of intention to suspend or terminate membership, stating the grounds on which such a motion will be based, is given in writing to the chair of the Presidents Council and to the chief executive officer of the member institution on or before the first day of November before the Convention;
- (b) The Presidents Council approves the notification of intention to move for suspension or termination; and
- (c) Such notice is included in the Official Notice of the annual Convention.

3.2.5.1.1 Cessation of Rights and Privileges. All rights and privileges of the member shall cease on any termination or suspension of active membership.

3.2.5.2 Failure to Meet Four-Sport/Three-Season Requirement. If an active member no longer meets the four-sport/three-season requirement for either men or women, it shall be reclassified immediately as a corresponding member.

3.2.5.2.1 Waiver. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant waivers of Constitution 3.2.5.2 if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action. (*Adopted: 1/9/96*)

3.2.5.3 Removal of Accreditation. If an active member's accreditation is removed by its regional accrediting agency, it shall be reclassified immediately as a corresponding member.

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3.2.5.4 Failure to Pay Dues. If an active member fails to pay its annual dues for one year, its membership shall be automatically terminated.

3.2.5.5 Reinstatement of Terminated Member. Any active member whose membership has been terminated (see Constitution 3.2.5.1) may have it reinstated by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any annual Convention.

3.2.5.6 Reinstatement of Suspended Member. Any active member whose membership has been suspended may be reinstated to good standing in accordance with the terms, if any, of the suspension action, or at any time after six months from the date of such suspension, by vote of a majority of the Presidents Council or by vote of the majority of the members present and voting at any annual Convention.

3.2.6 Discipline of Active Members. Disciplinary or corrective actions other than suspension or termination of membership may be effected during the period between annual Conventions for violation of NCAA rules. (See Bylaws 19 and 32 for enforcement regulations, policies and procedures.)

3.2.6.1 Restoration of Good Standing. Disciplined members shall resume good standing in accordance with the terms of the disciplinary action taken, or may be restored to good standing at any time by a majority vote of the members of the Committee on Infractions present and voting. If fewer than eight members are present, any committee action requires a favorable vote of at least four committee members. Disciplined members also may be restored to good standing at the annual Convention, by vote of a majority of the members present and voting.

3.3 MEMBER CONFERENCE

3.3.1 Eligibility

3.3.1.1 Conference Competition Requirement. Conference membership is available to duly elected athletics conferences of colleges and universities that conduct conference competition and determine a champion in one or more sports in which the Association conducts championships or for which it is responsible for providing playing rules for intercollegiate competition.

3.3.1.2 Composition of Conference. All of the members of the conference shall be active members of this Association, except that a conference with 40 or more members may qualify as a member conference if 90 percent of its member institutions are active members of the Association. A conference may retain its membership even if it includes institutions that have been provisional members of the Association for at least one year. (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94*)

3.3.2 Privileges

3.3.2.1 Privileges of Member Conferences. Member conferences shall be entitled to all of the privileges of active members except the right to compete as such in NCAA championships.

3.3.2.2 Voting Rights. Only those member conferences that meet the criteria listed below shall be permitted to vote on issues before the Association.

3.3.2.2.1 Competitive and Legislative Body. The member conference shall be both a competitive and a legislative body on the conference level (see Constitution 3.02.1 and 3.02.2).

3.3.2.2.2 Minimum Size and Division Status

3.3.2.2.2.1 Full Voting Privileges. The member conference shall be composed of at least six members in a single division in order to be eligible for full voting privileges, including voting on federated bylaws (those bylaws that may be amended by one or more divisions acting separately).

3.3.2.2.2.2 Partial Voting Privileges. Those member conferences with at least six members but without a minimum of six members in a single division shall be permitted to vote on all dominant or common provisions (those provisions that apply to all three divisions of the Association). On these common provisions, the conference shall vote in the division in which the majority of its membership is classified. In the event that its membership is divided evenly between two divisions, the Executive Committee shall determine its voting division. Such conferences shall not vote on federated provisions (those provisions that may be amended by one or more divisions acting separately).

3.3.2.2.3 Four-Sport/Three-Season Requirement. The member conference shall conduct conference competition in at least four sports for men, with at least one in each season, for the conference to vote on issues related solely to men's programs and four sports for women, with at least one in each season, for the conference to vote on issues related solely to women's programs. A season-ending tournament or round-robin regular-season play in a sport shall satisfy the conference competition requirement for that sport.

3.3.2.2.4 Football Issues. In addition to meeting the requirements of Constitution 3.3.2.2.3 for men's and/or women's sports, conference championship competition shall be conducted in the sport of football in order for the conference to vote on issues pertaining only to football.

3.3.2.3 Use of Association's Registered Marks. Member conferences may use the registered marks of the Association (i.e., the Association's name, logo or other insignia) only in accordance with guidelines established by the Executive Committee.

3.3.3 Election Procedures

3.3.3.1 Voting Requirement. Procedures for election to conference membership under this subsection are common provisions (see Constitution 5.02.1.2) established by majority vote of each of the three divisions voting separately.

3.3.3.2 Application. An athletics conference desiring to become a member conference shall make application on a form available from the national office. A check in the appropriate amount for annual dues (see Constitution 3.7.3) shall accompany the application. Should the applicant fail election, the dues paid shall be refunded.

3.3.3.3 Election. Athletics conferences may be elected as member conferences by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting at an annual Convention or by a majority vote of the Management Council.

3.3.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership

3.3.4.1 General. The member conferences of this Association agree to administer their athletics programs in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association.

3.3.4.2 Conference Competition. Member conferences shall conduct conference competition and determine a champion in one or more sports in which the Association conducts championships or for which it is responsible for providing playing rules for intercollegiate competition.

3.3.4.3 Composition of Conference. The member conference shall maintain a membership of institutions that are active members of this Association, except that a conference with 40 or more members may continue to qualify as a member conference if 90 percent of its member institutions are active members of the Association.

3.3.4.4 Conference Student-Athlete Advisory Committee—Division II. Each Division II conference shall establish a student-athlete advisory committee for its member institutions' student-athletes. The composition and duties of the committee shall be determined by the conference. (*Adopted: 1/13/98 effective 8/1/98*)

3.3.5 Loss of Member-Conference Status

3.3.5.1 Termination or Suspension. The membership of any member conference failing to maintain the academic or athletics standards required for membership or failing to meet the conditions and obligations of membership may be suspended or terminated or the member conference otherwise disciplined by a vote of two-thirds of the delegates present and voting at an annual Convention. Membership shall not be suspended or terminated unless:

- (a) Notice of intention to suspend or terminate membership, stating the grounds on which such motion will be based, is given in writing to the chair of the Presidents Council and to the chief executive officer of the member conference on or before the first day of November prior to the Convention;
- (b) The Presidents Council approves the notification of intention to move for suspension or termination; and
- (c) Such notice is included in the Official Notice of the annual Convention.

3.3.5.1.1 Cessation of Rights and Privileges. All rights and privileges of the member shall cease on any termination or suspension of conference membership.

3.3.5.2 Ineligible Conference Member Institution. If any member of an athletics conference is found to be ineligible for active membership in this Association, such conference shall be ineligible for conference membership and its membership terminated, unless the conference has 40 or more members and at least 90 percent of said conference members are active members of the Association.

3.3.5.3 Failure to Pay Dues. If a member conference fails to pay its annual dues for one year, its membership shall be automatically terminated.

3.3.5.4 Reinstatement of Terminated Member. Any member conference whose membership has been terminated (see Constitution 3.3.5.1) may have it reinstated by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any annual Convention.

3.3.5.5 Reinstatement of Suspended Member. Any member conference whose membership has been

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suspended may be reinstated to good standing in accordance with the terms, if any, of the suspension action, or at any time after six months from the date of such suspension, by vote of a majority of the Presidents Council or by vote of the majority of the members present and voting at any annual Convention.

3.3.6 Discipline of Member Conferences. Disciplinary or corrective actions other than suspension or termination of membership may be effected during the period between annual Conventions for violation of NCAA rules. (See Bylaws 19 and 32 for enforcement regulations, policies and procedures.)

3.3.6.1 Restoration of Good Standing. Disciplined members shall resume good standing in accordance with the terms of disciplinary action taken, or may be restored to good standing at any time by a vote of at least three members of the Committee on Infractions present and voting in accordance with Bylaw 19.6.2.8, or, at the annual Convention, by vote of a majority of the members present and voting.

3.4 AFFILIATED MEMBERSHIP

3.4.1 Eligibility. Affiliated membership is available to a duly elected nonprofit group or association whose function and purpose are directly related to one or more sports in which the Association conducts championships or identifies as an emerging sport. (*Revised: 1/11/97*)

3.4.2 Privileges

3.4.2.1 Privileges and Voting Rights. An affiliated member shall be entitled to be represented by one nonvoting delegate at any Convention of the Association and shall have such other privileges as may be accorded to affiliated members by the bylaws of the Association.

3.4.2.2 Use of Association's Registered Marks. An affiliated member may use the registered marks of the Association (i.e., the Association's name, logo or other insignia) only if such use is approved by the NCAA staff in accordance with guidelines established by the Executive Committee. (*Revised: 1/11/97*)

3.4.3 Election Procedures

3.4.3.1 Voting Requirement. Procedures for election to affiliated membership under this subsection are common provisions (see Constitution 5.02.1.2) established by majority vote of each of the three divisions voting separately.

3.4.3.2 Application. A group or association desiring to become an affiliated member shall make application on a form available from the national office. A check in the appropriate amount for annual dues (see Constitution 3.7.3) shall accompany the application. Should the applicant fail election, the dues paid shall be refunded.

3.4.3.3 Election. Groups or associations may be elected to affiliated membership by majority vote of the delegates present and voting at an annual Convention or by majority vote of the Executive Committee.

3.4.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership

3.4.4.1 General. An affiliated member is responsible for observing the principles set forth in the constitution and bylaws of the Association.

3.4.4.2 Function and Purpose. The function and purpose of the affiliated member must be directly related to one or more sports in which the Association conducts championships.

3.4.5 Loss of Membership

3.4.5.1 Termination or Suspension. The membership of any affiliated member failing to meet the conditions and obligations of membership or failing to support and adhere to the purposes and policies of the Association (see Constitution 1) may be suspended or terminated or the affiliated member otherwise disciplined through the following procedure:

- (a) The Executive Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may take such action on its own initiative; or (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)
- (b) The Committee on Infractions, by majority vote, may recommend such action to the Executive Committee, which may adopt the recommendation by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting; and
- (c) The affiliated member shall be advised of the proposed action at least 30 days before any Committee on Infractions or Executive Committee meeting in which such action is considered and shall be provided the opportunity to appear at any such meeting.

3.4.5.1.1 Cessation of Rights and Privileges. All rights and privileges of the affiliated member shall cease on any termination or suspension of affiliated membership.

3.4.5.2 Failure to Pay Dues. If an affiliated member fails to pay its annual dues for one year, its membership shall be automatically terminated.

3.4.5.3 Reinstatement of Terminated Member. Any affiliated member whose membership has been terminated may have it reinstated by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee.

3.4.5.4 Reinstatement of Suspended Member. Any affiliated member whose membership has been suspended may be reinstated to good standing in accordance with the terms, if any, of the suspension action, or at any time after six months from the date of such suspension, by vote of a majority of the Executive Committee or by vote of the majority of the members present and voting at any annual Convention.

3.4.6 Discipline of Affiliated Members. Disciplinary or corrective actions other than suspension or termination of membership may be effected during the period between annual Conventions for violation of NCAA rules. (See Bylaws 19 and 32 for enforcement regulations, policies and procedures.)

3.4.6.1 Restoration of Good Standing. Disciplined members shall resume good standing in accordance with the terms of disciplinary action taken, or may be restored to good standing at any time by a vote of at least three members of the Executive Committee present and voting in accordance with Bylaw 19.6.2.8, or, at the annual Convention, by vote of a majority of the members present and voting.

3.5 CORRESPONDING MEMBERSHIP

3.5.1 Eligibility. Corresponding membership is available to duly elected institutions, conferences and nonprofit organizations that are not eligible for active, provisional, conference or affiliated membership but wish to receive the Association's membership publications and mailings. (*Revised: 1/10/90*)

3.5.2 Privileges. Corresponding members shall receive all publications and mailings received by the general membership of the Association but shall not be entitled to any other membership privileges, including the right to use the Association's name, logo or other insignia.

3.5.3 Election Procedures

3.5.3.1 Voting Requirement. Procedures for election to corresponding membership under this subsection are common provisions (see Constitution 5.02.1.2) established by majority vote of each of the three divisions voting separately.

3.5.3.2 Application. An entity desiring to become a corresponding member shall make application on a form available from the national office. A check in the appropriate amount for annual dues (see Constitution 3.7.3) shall accompany the application. Should the applicant fail election, the dues paid shall be refunded.

3.5.3.3 Election. Eligible institutions, organizations and conferences may be elected to corresponding membership by majority vote of the Executive Committee.

3.5.3.4 Resignation and Reelection to Membership. If a corresponding member resigns its membership and subsequently applies to reestablish its membership, the application first shall be approved by the Association's Executive Committee before becoming eligible for reelection as a corresponding member.

3.5.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership. A corresponding member is responsible for observing the principles set forth in the constitution and bylaws of the Association. The member shall not use the Association's name, logo or other insignia.

3.5.5 Loss of Membership

3.5.5.1 Termination or Suspension. The membership of any corresponding member failing to meet the conditions and obligations of membership or failing to support and adhere to the purposes and policies of the Association (see Constitution 1) may be suspended or terminated or the corresponding member otherwise disciplined through the following procedure:

- (a) The Executive Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may take such action on its own initiative; or (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)
- (b) The Committee on Infractions, by majority vote, may recommend such action to the Executive Committee, which may adopt the recommendation by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting; and
- (c) The corresponding member shall be advised of the proposed action at least 30 days before any Committee on Infractions or Executive Committee meeting in which such action is considered and shall be provided the opportunity to appear at any such meeting.

3.5.5.1.1 Cessation of Rights and Privileges. All rights and privileges of the corresponding member shall cease on any termination or suspension of corresponding membership.

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3.5.5.2 Failure to Pay Dues. If a corresponding member fails to pay its annual dues for one year, its membership shall be automatically terminated.

3.5.5.3 Reinstatement of Terminated Member. Any corresponding member whose membership has been terminated may have it reinstated by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee.

3.5.5.4 Reinstatement of Suspended Member. Any corresponding member whose membership has been suspended may be reinstated to good standing in accordance with the terms, if any, of the suspension action, or at any time after six months from the date of such suspension, by vote of a majority of the Executive Committee or by vote of the majority of the members present and voting at any annual Convention.

3.5.6 Discipline of Corresponding Members. Disciplinary or corrective actions other than suspension or termination of membership may be effected during the period between annual Conventions for violation of NCAA rules. (See Bylaws 19 and 32 for enforcement regulations, policies and procedures.)

3.5.6.1 Restoration of Good Standing. Disciplined members shall resume good standing in accordance with the terms of disciplinary action taken, or may be restored to good standing at any time by a vote of at least three members of the Executive Committee present and voting in accordance with Bylaw 19.6.2.8, or, at the annual Convention, by vote of a majority of the members present and voting.

3.6 PROVISIONAL MEMBERSHIP

3.6.1 Eligibility

3.6.1.1 Types of Institutions. Provisional membership is available to four-year colleges and universities and two-year upper-level collegiate institutions, accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency and duly elected to provisional membership under the provisions of Constitution 3.6.3. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94*)

3.6.1.1.1 Four-Year Provision. Provisional membership shall be limited to a four-year period. At the end of the four-year period, a provisional member shall be eligible to apply for active membership (see Constitution 3.2.3). (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97 for institutions petitioning for provisional membership on or after 8/1/97*)

3.6.1.2 Compliance with Association Rules. A provisional member shall administer its athletics program in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94*)

3.6.1.2.1 Four-Year Progression. During the first and second years of provisional membership, an institution shall apply the legislation of the Association to the greatest extent possible. During the third and fourth years of provisional membership, an institution shall administer its athletics program in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97 for institutions petitioning for provisional membership on or after 8/1/97*)

3.6.1.2.1.1 Credit for Time Completed Previously as a Provisional Member. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant credit to an institution for any portion of the first two years of the four-year provisional membership period, or components of the requirements of such years, the institution previously completed as a provisional member, provided the portion or component was completed within the last 10 years. (*Adopted: 1/12/99*)

3.6.1.2.2 Transfer of Provisional Membership from Division I or III to Division II. The Division II Management Council may waive one year of the four-year provisional membership period, if an institution transfers its provisional membership from Division I or III to Division II. The institution shall serve a minimum of four total years of provisional membership before being considered for active membership. (*Adopted: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

3.6.1.3 Standards. The institution's athletics programs shall reflect the establishment and maintenance of high standards of personal honor, eligibility and fair play. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94*)

3.6.1.4 Four-Sport/Three-Season Requirement. After two years of provisional membership, the institution shall sponsor and conduct a representative schedule in a minimum of four varsity intercollegiate sports that involve all-male teams or mixed teams of males and females and four varsity intercollegiate sports that involve all-female teams, subject to the requirements of the institution's conference(s), if any. An institution may use a sport to meet the three-season requirement only if the institution has met the minimum contest and participants requirements for sports sponsorship in that sport as set forth in Bylaw 20.10.3.5. (See Constitution 3.6.4.5 regarding the provisional member's obligations in meeting this requirement.) (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

3.6.2 Privileges and Voting Rights

3.6.2.1 Provisional Members. Provisional members shall receive all publications and mailings received by active members of the Association, shall be entitled to be represented by one nonvoting delegate at any Convention of the Association and shall have such other privileges as may be accorded by the bylaws of the Association. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94)*

3.6.2.2 Use of Association's Registered Marks. A provisional member may use the registered marks of the Association (i.e., the Association's name, logo or other insignia) only in accordance with guidelines established by the Executive Committee. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94)*

3.6.3 Election Procedures

3.6.3.1 Voting Requirement. Procedures for election to provisional membership under this subsection are common provisions (see Constitution 5.02.1.2) established by majority vote of each of the three divisions voting separately. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94)*

3.6.3.2 Application. An institution desiring to become a provisional member of this Association shall apply on or before June 15 on a form available from the national office. A nonrefundable application fee in the amount of \$2,500 shall accompany the application form. In addition, a check in the appropriate amount for annual dues (see the current annual dues for active members per Constitution 3.7.3) also shall accompany the application. Should the applicant fail to qualify academically or fail election, the dues paid shall be refunded. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94, Revised: 1/12/99)*

3.6.3.3 Accreditation and Division Classification. After it has been determined that the institution meets the Association's requirement of acceptable academic standards (i.e., the institution is accredited by one of the six regional accrediting agencies), the application shall be considered with regard to requested membership division in accordance with Bylaw 20. The application then shall be referred to the Management Council for consideration. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94)*

3.6.3.4 Election. A favorable vote by two-thirds of the Management Council members present and voting shall elect the applicant to provisional membership effective the following September 1. When the vote of the Management Council has been completed, the applicant shall be notified. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94)*

3.6.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership

3.6.4.1 General. During the first and second years of the four-year provisional membership, an institution shall apply the legislation of the Association to the greatest extent possible. During the third and fourth years of provisional membership, an institution shall administer its athletics program in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97 for institutions petitioning for provisional membership on or after 8/1/97)*

3.6.4.2 Self-Study and Annual Review. During the first year of provisional membership, a provisional member shall complete a comprehensive institutional self-study and evaluation of the member's intercollegiate athletics program. A provisional member also shall provide, on an annual basis, a written report to be reviewed by the Membership Committee describing the institution's progress in meeting active membership requirements. The annual report shall be received in the national office not later than June 15. The annual report shall be completed in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Division II Educational Assessment Program. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94, Revised: 1/10/98)*

3.6.4.3 Educational Assessment. During the provisional membership period, a provisional member shall complete an NCAA educational program regarding requirements for active membership status. Provisional members are required to complete the following educational activities during the provisional membership period: *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97 for institutions petitioning for provisional membership on or after 8/1/97, Revised: 1/12/99)*

(a) Year One:

- (1) Chief Executive Officer Orientation Meeting;
- (2) Attend Convention orientation session;
- (3) Attend NCAA regional rules seminar; and
- (4) Submit first annual report, including completion of the ISSG.

(b) Year Two:

- (1) Complete rules-awareness self-evaluation;
- (2) Attend educational session at Convention;

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- (3) Attend NCAA regional rules seminar; and
- (4) Submit second annual report.
- (c) Year Three:
 - (1) Complete self-assessment checklist;
 - (2) Attend educational session at Convention;
 - (3) Attend NCAA regional rules seminar; and
 - (4) Submit third annual report, including certification by chief executive officer that the self-assessment checklist has been completed.
- (d) Year Four:
 - (1) Attend educational session at Convention;
 - (2) Submit completion of provisional activities verification materials;
 - (3) Attend NCAA regional rules seminar and verify completion of provisional member activities; and
 - (4) Submit fourth annual report, including certification by chief executive officer that provisional member activities have been completed.

3.6.4.4 Coaches Certification. During the third and fourth years of provisional membership, coaches of provisional members shall be certified to recruit off campus per Bylaw 11.5. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97 for institutions petitioning for provisional membership on or after 8/1/97)*

3.6.4.5 Compliance Period. Following the institution's second year of provisional membership, a provisional member shall fulfill the conditions and obligations applicable to active members per Constitution 3.2.4.3 through 3.2.4.13, except that the waivers described in Constitution 3.2.4.11.5 and 3.2.4.11.6 shall not apply. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97 for institutions petitioning for provisional membership on or after 8/1/97)*

3.6.5 Loss of Provisional Membership

3.6.5.1 Failure to Meet Provisional Membership Requirements. A provisional member failing to meet and maintain the conditions set forth in Constitution 3.6.4 may be required to repeat a year of provisional membership, placed in corresponding membership or have its membership terminated, by a two-thirds vote of the Management Council members present and voting. A notice of intention to terminate membership, stating the grounds on which such an action will be based, shall be given in writing to the chief executive officer of the provisional member institution. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94, Revised: 1/12/99)*

3.6.5.1.1 Repeat of Provisional Membership. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of members present and voting, may require a provisional member to repeat any one of the four years of the provisional membership period. An institution may repeat one of the four years only one time during the four-year provisional membership period. *(Adopted: 1/12/99)*

3.6.5.1.2 Waiver. An institution may appeal to the Management Council for a waiver of the provisional member educational assessment program requirements (see Constitution 3.6.4) based on a failure to meet the requirements due to circumstances beyond the control of the institution. Such an appeal must be filed before June 1 after the academic year in which the institution failed to fulfill the requirements. *(Adopted: 1/12/99)*

3.6.5.1.3 Management Council Jurisdiction. Decisions made by the Management Council in regard to an institution's standing as a provisional member are final and may not be appealed. *(Adopted: 1/12/99)*

3.6.5.2 Termination. All rights and privileges of the provisional member shall cease on any termination of provisional membership. Any provisional member whose membership is terminated may reapply for provisional membership after a period of one year. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94, Revised: 1/12/99)*

3.6.5.3 Cessation of Rights and Privileges. All rights and privileges of the provisional member shall cease on any termination of provisional membership. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94)*

3.6.5.4 Noncompliance. If a provisional member, during its compliance period, no longer meets the requirements of the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of this Association, it shall be reclassified immediately as a corresponding member. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94)*

3.6.5.5 Discipline of Member Conference. During the provisional member's compliance period, disciplinary or corrective actions other than termination of membership may be effected on a member con-

ference that contains provisional members that fail to fulfill conditions and obligations of provisional membership. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94)*

3.6.5.6 Reinstatement of Terminated Member. Any provisional member whose membership is terminated may reapply for membership after a period of one year by a two-thirds vote of the Management Council members present and voting. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94)*

3.7 DUES OF MEMBERS

3.7.1 Voting Requirement. The dues of all classes of membership shall be determined by majority voting of each of the three divisions of the Association. #

3.7.2 Determination of Dues. The annual dues of the various classes of membership shall be recommended to the membership by the Executive Committee. Dues shall be established on a two-to-one ratio for Division I in relation to Divisions II and III, for both active members and member conferences. *(Revised: 1/10/90)* #

3.7.3 Current Annual Dues. The annual dues for various classes of membership shall be: #

Active Members:*

Division I	\$ 1,800.00
Division II	\$ 900.00
Division III	\$ 900.00

Member Conferences:

Division I	\$ 900.00
Division II	\$ 450.00
Division III	\$ 450.00

Affiliated Members \$ 225.00

Corresponding Members \$ 225.00

3.7.4 Payment Deadline. Dues are payable September 1 of each year. A member shall not be permitted to vote at a Convention of the Association if its dues are not paid for that year. To be eligible to compete in NCAA championships, dues shall be paid in accordance with Bylaw 31.2.1.2. Membership is terminated if a member fails to pay dues for one year (see Constitution 3.2.5.4, 3.3.5.3, 3.4.5.2 and 3.5.5.2). #

*See Constitution 3.6.3 for provisional membership.

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4.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

4.01.1 Structure. The Association's administrative structure shall include an Executive Committee comprised of institutional chief executive officers (CEOs) that oversees Association-wide issues and shall ensure that each division operates consistent with the basic purposes, fundamental policies and general principles of the Association (see Constitution 1 and 2). In addition, the administrative structure of each division shall empower a body of institutional chief executive officers (CEOs) to set forth the policies, rules and regulations for operating the division. Further, the administrative structure of each division shall empower a body of athletics administrators and faculty athletics representatives (and in Division III, institutional CEOs) to make recommendations to the division's body of institutional CEOs and to handle responsibilities delegated to it. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.01.2 Guarantees. The Association's overall governance structure guarantees its members the following: *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.01.2.1 Budget Allocations. Members are guaranteed revenue through allocations made to each division from the Association's general operating revenue. Division II shall receive at least 4.37 percent of the Association's annual general operating revenue. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.01.2.1.1 General Operating Revenue. General operating revenue, as used in this section, shall include at least all sources of revenue existing as of January 9, 1996, including revenue from contracts for these existing sources and revenue from any modified, extended or successor contract for such sources. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.01.2.2 Championships. Members are guaranteed access to national championships. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.01.2.3 Membership Services. Members are guaranteed services provided through the Association's national office at least at the level provided as of January 9, 1996 (e.g., membership services, statistics, research). *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.01.2.4 Special Programs. Members are guaranteed the continuation of Association programs operating at the time of the adoption of this legislation (e.g., the catastrophic-injury insurance program, the drug-testing program). In addition, members are guaranteed the continuation of Association programs that were considered by the NCAA Council or Presidents Commission by the spring of 1995 and began operating after the adoption of this legislation. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

4.02.1 Association. The "Association," as used in this Manual, refers to the National Collegiate Athletic Association, a diverse, voluntary, unincorporated Association of four-year colleges and universities, conferences, affiliated associations and other educational institutions. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.02.2 Faculty Athletics Representative. A faculty athletics representative is a member of an institution's faculty or administrative staff who is designated by the institution's chief executive officer or other appropriate entity to represent the institution and its faculty in the institution's relationships with the NCAA and its conference(s), if any (see also Constitution 6.1.3).

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4.02.3 “On the Staff.” On the staff, as it applies to individuals from member institutions or conferences who are eligible to serve on committees or as officers or representatives of the Association, is defined as those individuals who receive a regular salary from a member institution or organization for the performance of a regular staff function representing at least 50 percent of the normal workload for a staff member at that institution or conference. An individual on sabbatical or other temporary leave for a period not exceeding 12 consecutive months may be considered to be “on the staff” of an institution or organization. An individual on terminal leave or on leave in excess of 12 consecutive months shall not be considered to be “on the staff.”

4.02.4 Senior Woman Administrator. A senior woman administrator is the highest ranking female administrator involved with the conduct of a member institution’s intercollegiate athletics program.

4.1 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- * **4.1.1 Composition.** The Executive Committee shall consist of 20 members. The Association’s chief executive officer (e.g., president) and the chairs of each of the divisional Management Councils (see Constitution 4.5, 4.6 and 4.7) shall be ex officio nonvoting members, except that the Association’s chief executive officer is permitted to vote in the case of a tie among the voting members of the Executive Committee present and voting. The other 16 voting members of the Executive Committee shall include: (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

- (a) Eight Division I-A chief executive officers from the Division I Board of Directors (see Constitution 4.2);
- (b) Two Division I-AA chief executive officers from the Division I Board of Directors (see Constitution 4.2);
- (c) Two Division I-AAA chief executive officers from the Division I Board of Directors (see Constitution 4.2);
- (d) Two Division II chief executive officers from the Division II Presidents Council (see Constitution 4.3); and
- (e) Two Division III chief executive officers from the Division III Presidents Council (see Constitution 4.4).

- * **4.1.2 Duties and Responsibilities.** The Executive Committee shall: (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

- (a) Provide final approval and oversight of the Association’s budget;
- (b) Employ the Association’s chief executive officer (e.g., president), who shall be administratively responsible to the Executive Committee and who shall be authorized to employ such other persons as may be necessary to conduct efficiently the business of the Association;
- (c) Provide strategic planning for the Association as a whole;
- (d) Identify core issues that affect the Association as a whole;
- (e) Act on behalf of the Association to resolve core issues and other Association-wide matters;
- (f) Initiate and settle litigation;
- (g) Convene at least one combined meeting per year of the three divisional presidential governing bodies;
- (h) Convene at least one same-site meeting per year of the three divisional Management Councils;
- (i) Forward proposed amendments to Constitutions 1 and 2 and other dominant legislation to the entire membership for a vote;
- (j) Call for a vote of the entire membership on the action of any division that it determines to be contrary to the basic purposes, fundamental policies and general principles set forth in the Association’s constitution. This action may be overridden by the Association’s entire membership by a two-thirds majority vote of those institutions voting; and
- (k) Call for an annual or special Convention of the Association.

4.1.3 Election/Term of Office

- * **4.1.3.1 Election.** Division I members of the Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Division I Board of Directors. Divisions II and III members of the Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Divisions II and III Presidents Councils, respectively. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)
- * **4.1.3.2 Terms.** The terms of service of members of the Executive Committee shall coincide with their service on the applicable divisional presidential governing body, unless otherwise specified by that governing body. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)
- * **4.1.3.3 Committee Chair.** The Executive Committee shall elect one of its members to serve for a two-year period as chair. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

4.3 DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL

4.3.1 Composition. The composition of the Presidents Council shall be based on a weighted regional representation by institutions that shall include one chief executive officer (CEO) per region for every 22 institutions in that region (see Constitution 4.12.2.1). In addition, two “at-large” positions shall exist to enhance efforts to achieve diversity of representation and to accommodate independent institutions. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.3.1.1 Same Conference. To the extent possible, CEOs from the same conference shall not serve concurrently on the Presidents Council. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.3.1.2 Same Institution. To the extent possible, members of the Presidents Council and the Management Council (see Constitution 4.6) shall not be employed at the same institution. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.3.1.3 Eligibility for Membership. The Presidents Council shall be composed of CEOs representing Division II active member institutions.

4.3.2 Duties and Responsibilities. The Presidents Council shall: *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

- (a) Implement policies adopted by the Association’s Executive Committee;
- (b) Establish and direct the general policy of Division II;
- (c) Establish a strategic plan for Division II;
- (d) Elect a chair and vice-chair; *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
- (e) Adopt noncontroversial and intent-based amendments, administrative bylaws and regulations to govern Division II;
- (f) Sponsor Division II legislation;
- (g) Identify, before the printing of the notice of any Convention, Division II proposals for which a roll-call vote of the eligible voters may be required and designate during the Convention the roll-call votes that must occur;
- (h) Establish the final sequence of legislative proposals in the agenda for the Division II business session at the annual Convention, within the provisions of Constitution 5.1.4.3.1; *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
- (i) Call for a special Convention of Division II; *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
- (j) Delegate to the Management Council responsibilities for specific matters it deems appropriate;
- (k) Approve recommendations of the Management Council (see Constitution 4.6);
- (l) Ratify, amend or rescind the actions of the Management Council (see Constitution 4.6);
- (m) Assure that there is gender and ethnic diversity among its membership, the membership of the Management Council (see Constitution 4.6) and the membership of each of the other bodies in the Division II governance structure;
- (n) Develop and approve the budget and the use of funds allotted to Division II (e.g., enhancement funds, funds for the operation of championships);
- (o) Approve regulations providing for expenditures and income to Division II;
- (p) Approve regulations providing for the administration of Division II championships;
- (q) Advise the Executive Committee concerning the employment of the Association’s chief executive officer (e.g., president) and concerning the oversight of his or her employment;
- (r) Convene same-site meetings, as necessary, with the Management Council; and
- (s) Appoint such committees or subcommittees as may be necessary for executing the provisions of this constitution or the Division II bylaws. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.3.2.1 Duties of the Chair. The chair of the Presidents Council shall: *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

- (a) Serve as a spokesperson for Division II;
- (b) Preside at Presidents Council meetings;
- (c) Preside at the Division II business session at the annual Convention;
- (d) Serve as a member of the Association’s Executive Committee;
- (e) Serve as chair of the Division II Administrative Committee; and

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(f) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Budget/Finance Committee.

4.3.2.2 Duties of the Vice-Chair. The vice-chair of the Presidents Council shall: *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

- (a) Take the chair's place and perform the chair's duties, if the chair is absent or incapacitated;
- (b) Report to the Division II membership at each annual Convention on the financial affairs of the division;
- (c) Serve as a member of the Association's Executive Committee;
- (d) Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee; and
- (e) Serve as chair of the Division II Budget/Finance Committee.

4.3.3 Election/Term of Office

4.3.3.1 Selection Process. When a vacancy on the Presidents Council occurs, a formal call for nominations shall be published in The NCAA News. In addition, an informational letter to solicit nominations will be mailed to institutions and conference offices in the region where the vacancy exists. The members of the Council shall select an individual to fill a vacancy after reviewing nominations submitted by institutions and/or conference offices. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.3.3.2 Term of Office. Members of the Presidents Council shall serve four-year terms. Presidents Council members are not eligible for immediate reelection. A Presidents Council member may be elected to an additional term on the Presidents Council after three years have elapsed. An individual who has served two terms on the Presidents Council may not serve further on the Presidents Council. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.3.3.2.1 Chair and Vice-Chair. The chair and the vice-chair of the Council shall each serve terms not to exceed two years. The chair and vice-chair shall not be eligible for immediate reelection to that position. In addition, a member must serve a minimum of one year on the Presidents Council before serving as chair or vice-chair. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.3.3.3 Staggered Terms *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.3.3.3.1 Chair and Vice-Chair. The terms of service of the chair and vice-chair of the Presidents Council shall expire on a staggered basis to provide for continuity. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.3.3.3.2 Members. The terms of service of Presidents Council members shall expire on a staggered basis to provide for continuity. Members may be appointed for less than full terms in order to accomplish this purpose. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.3.3.4 Determination of Full Term. Presidents Council members who serve more than one-half of a four-year term shall be considered to have served a full term and, thus, are not eligible for immediate reelection. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.3.4 Operating Rules

4.3.4.1 Quorum. For the transaction of business, a quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the Presidents Council. For the Presidents Council to take action, a simple majority of Presidents Council members present and voting shall be required unless otherwise specified. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.3.4.2 Project Teams. The Presidents Council may establish project teams for a specified period of time to study and recommend courses of action on specific issues, and shall provide for a project team's appointment or election, tenure and duties, including the selection of the project team's chair. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.6 DIVISION II MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

4.6.1 Composition. The Management Council shall be comprised of one administrator or representative from each of the Division II multisport voting conferences, one administrator or representative of Division II independent institutions and two "at large" positions to enhance efforts to achieve diversity of representation. The members shall be representatives of Division II active member institutions. The members of the Council shall include: *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

- (a) At least four directors of athletics;
- (b) At least four senior women administrators;
- (c) At least four faculty athletics representatives; and

- (d) At least one conference administrator.

4.6.1.1 Same Institution. To the extent possible, members of the Presidents Council (see Constitution 4.3) and the Management Council shall not be employed at the same institution. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.6.1.2 Independent Institutions. The position reserved for a representative of independent institutions may not be filled by an individual from the same independent institution in successive terms. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.6.2 Duties and Responsibilities. The Management Council shall: *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

- (a) Implement policies adopted by the Association's Executive Committee and the Presidents Council;
- (b) Make recommendations to the Presidents Council on matters it deems appropriate;
- (c) Recommend the adoption of noncontroversial and intent-based amendments, administrative bylaws and regulations to govern Division II, subject to ratification by the Presidents Council;
- (d) Take final action on matters delegated to it by the Presidents Council;
- (e) Make interpretations of the bylaws of Division II;
- (f) Review and act on the recommendations of the Division II committee structure and the recommendations of Division II representatives to committees with Association-wide functions; *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
- (g) Appoint the members of the Division II committee structure and appoint the Division II representatives to committees with Association-wide functions; *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
- (h) Elect a chair and vice-chair; *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
- (i) Organize and participate in an annual "summit" with the Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee; *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
- (j) Hear and act on appeals of the findings of major violations by the Division II Committee on Infractions involving Division II institutions; *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/12/99)*
- (k) Review appeals by member institutions of decisions made by a Division II committee (excluding actions of the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee and the Committee on Infractions) or the NCAA staff regarding the application of NCAA legislation to a particular situation; and *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/12/99)*
- (l) Recommend the appointment of such committees or subcommittees as may be necessary for executing the provisions of this constitution or the Division II bylaws, subject to ratification by the Presidents Council. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.6.2.1 Duties of the Chair. The chair of the Management Council shall: *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

- (a) Preside at Management Council meetings;
- (b) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Executive Committee;
- (c) Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee;
- (d) Report to the Division II membership at the annual Convention the activities of the Management Council and Division II committees;
- (e) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of any Division II committee that reports to the Division II Management Council; and
- (f) Serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Division II Budget and Finance Committee.

4.6.2.2 Duties of the Vice-Chair. The vice-chair of the Management Council shall: *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

- (a) Take the chair's place and perform the chair's duties, if the chair is absent or incapacitated;
- (b) Serve as a member of the Division II Administrative Committee;
- (c) Serve as a member of the Division II Budget/Finance Committee; and
- (d) Serve as chair of the Division II Championships Committee.

4.6.3 Election/Term of Office

4.6.3.1 Selection Process. When a vacancy on the Management Council occurs, each conference shall propose a slate of nominees that includes a director of athletics, a senior woman administrator and a faculty athletics representative and may include a conference administrator. The members of the Management Council shall select individuals to fill vacancies from the slates of nominees. Individuals

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selected by the Management Council must be ratified by the Presidents Council. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

4.6.3.1.1 Chief Executive Officer Signature. Each conference must designate a chief executive officer from a member institution within the conference who shall sign the conference's nomination form before the form is submitted. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

4.6.3.1.2 Convention Ratification. At the next Division II Convention, individuals selected to fill Management Council vacancies shall be ratified by the Division II membership. This ratification process shall not include a call for additional nominations. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

4.6.3.2 Term of Office. Members of the Management Council shall serve four-year terms. Management Council members are not eligible for immediate reelection. A Management Council member may be elected to an additional term on the Management Council after three years have elapsed. An individual who has served two terms on the Management Council may not serve further on the Management Council. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

4.6.3.2.1 Chair and Vice-Chair. The chair and the vice-chair of the Council shall each serve terms not to exceed two years. The chair and vice-chair shall not be eligible for immediate reelection to that position. In addition, a member must serve a minimum of one year on the Council before serving as chair or vice-chair. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

4.6.3.3 Staggered Terms (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

4.6.3.3.1 Chair and Vice-Chair. The terms of service of the chair and vice-chair of the Management Council shall expire on a staggered basis to provide for continuity. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

4.6.3.3.2 Members. The terms of service of Management Council members shall expire on a staggered basis to provide for continuity. Members may be appointed for less than full terms in order to accomplish this purpose. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

4.6.3.4 Determination of Full Term. Management Council members who serve more than one-half of a four-year term shall be considered to have served a full term and, thus, are not eligible for immediate reelection. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

4.6.4 Operating Rules

4.6.4.1 Quorum. For the transaction of business, a quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the Management Council. For the Management Council to take action, a simple majority of Management Council members present and voting shall be required unless otherwise specified. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

4.6.4.2 Project Teams. The Management Council may establish project teams for a specified period of time to study and recommend courses of action on specific issues, and shall provide for a project team's appointment or election, tenure and duties, including the selection of the project team's chair. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

4.7 COMMITTEES/CABINETS

- * The bylaws shall provide for the establishment of such a governance substructure (e.g., cabinets, committees) as each division considers necessary. The number of members and tenure of each division's governance substructure shall be stipulated in Bylaw 21. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

4.8 DIVISION II ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

4.8.1 Composition. The Administrative Committee shall consist of five members, including the chairs and vice-chairs of the Presidents Council and Management Council. The fifth member shall be another member of the Presidents Council. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

4.8.1.1 Chair. The chair of the Presidents Council shall serve as chair of the Administrative Committee. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

4.8.2 Duties. The Administrative Committee shall transact items of business clearly necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of Division II in the interim between meetings of the Presidents Council and Management Council. The Presidents Council representatives on the Administrative Committee shall have the authority to act alone to transact items of business that clearly fall within the sole jurisdiction of the Presidents Council. The Administrative Committee may authorize the chief of staff for Division II to act for it in approving routine waiver requests and sports committee recommendations, unless there is a question of interpretation or application, and these actions shall be subject to

the approval of the Management Council and Presidents Council at their next regularly scheduled meetings. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.8.3 Approval. All actions of the Administrative Committee shall be effective immediately and shall be reported to and subject to approval by the Division II Presidents Council and Management Council at their next regularly scheduled meetings. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.9 DIVISION II BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

4.9.1 Composition. The Division II Budget and Finance Committee shall consist of seven members, including the vice-chair of the Presidents Council, the vice-chair of the Management Council, three additional members of the Presidents Council and two additional members of the Management Council. The chairs of the Presidents Council and the Management Council shall serve as ex officio, nonvoting members. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.9.1.1 Chair. The vice-chair of the Division II Presidents Council shall serve as chair of the Division II Budget and Finance Committee. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.9.2 Duties. The Division II Budget and Finance Committee shall review budgetary recommendations related to the annual Division II budget and shall advise both the Division II Presidents Council and Management Council regarding the division's financial affairs. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

4.10 GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRICTS AND REGIONS

4.10.1 Districts. The Association shall be divided into eight geographical districts to facilitate its work. They are as follows:

- (a) District 1—Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont;
- (b) District 2—Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, West Virginia;
- (c) District 3—Alabama, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia;
- (d) District 4—Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin;
- (e) District 5—Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota;
- (f) District 6—Arkansas, New Mexico, Texas;
- (g) District 7—Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Utah, Wyoming; and
- (h) District 8—Alaska, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Oregon, Washington.

4.10.1.1 District Transfers. Active member institutions may be transferred from their regular geographical districts by majority vote of the Association's Executive Committee. An annual listing of the geographical transfers of active members shall appear in the NCAA Directory. *(Revised: 1/10/90, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

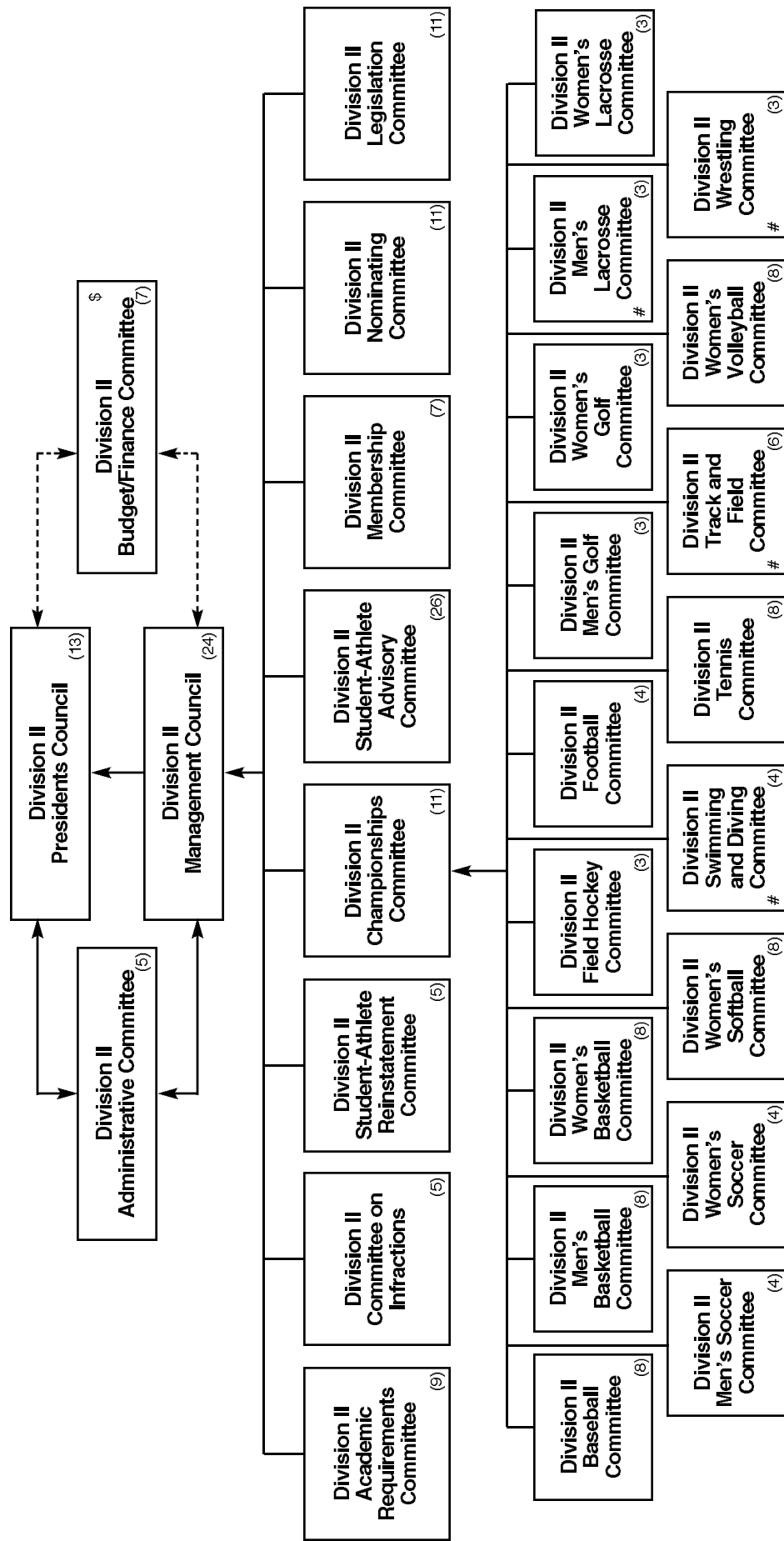
4.10.2 Geographical Regions. For the purpose of representation on the Presidents Council (see Constitution 4.3, 4.4 and 4.7), the Association shall be divided into geographical regions. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

4.10.2.1 Division II. The Division II geographical regions are as follows: *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

- (a) Region 1—Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont;
- (b) Region 2—Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia;
- (c) Region 3—Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, Wisconsin; and
- (d) Region 4—Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming.

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FIGURE 4-1
Division II Organizational Structure



o The number in the parenthetical represents the number of individuals serving on this group or committee.

* Division II representatives to committees with Association-wide functions or responsibilities (e.g., Committee on Women's Athletics) report to and make recommendations directly to the Division II Management Council.

Division II members of these sports committees with both playing rules and championships administration responsibilities function as the sports committee related to the administration of the Division II championship in their respective sports.

† The Division II Budget/Finance Committee is a group that advises both the Division II Presidents Council and Management Council regarding the division's financial affairs.

FIGURE 4-2
Association Governance Structure

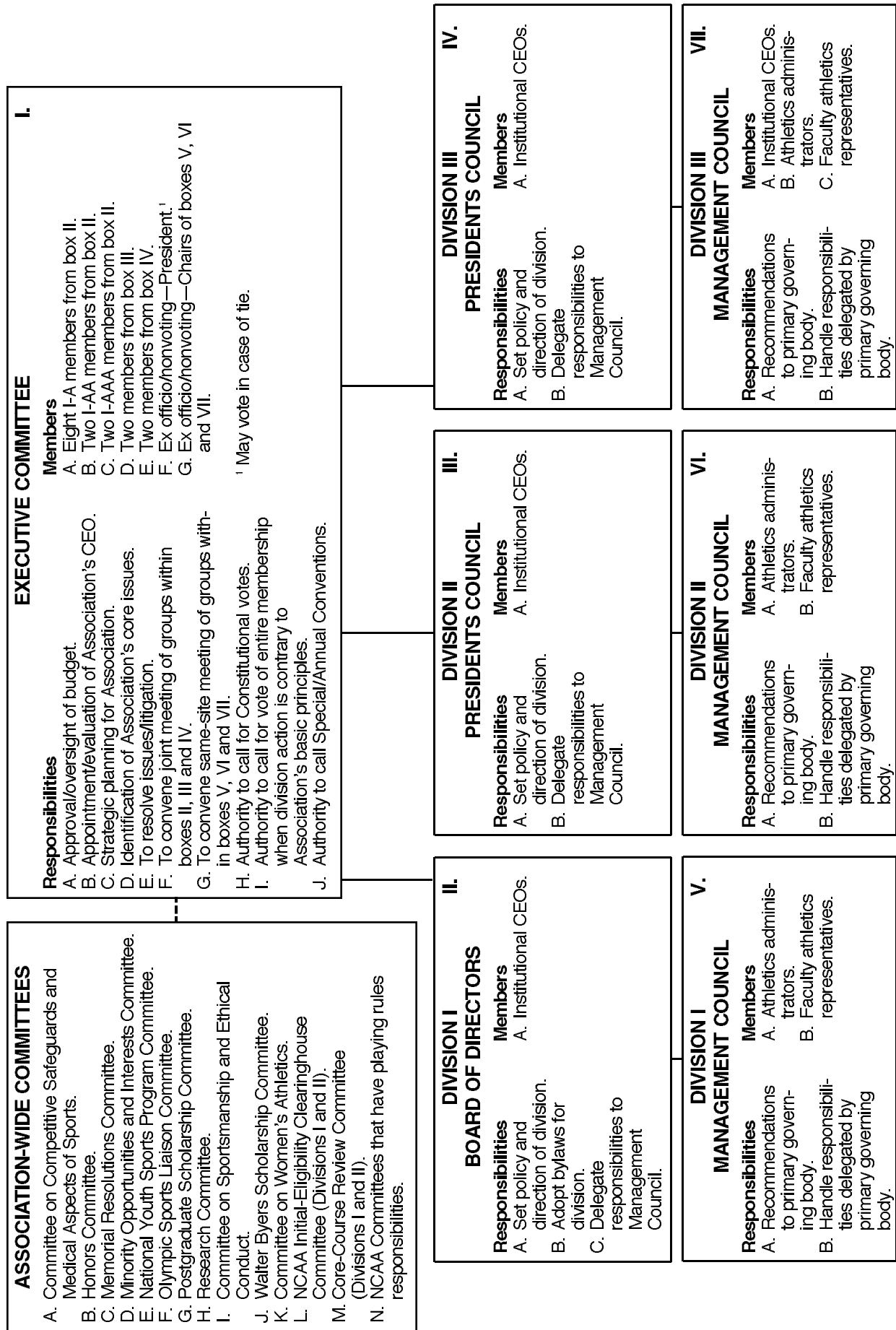


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Legislative Authority and Process

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5.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

5.01.1 Basis of Legislation. All legislation of the Association that governs the conduct of the intercollegiate athletics programs of its member institutions shall be adopted by the membership in Convention assembled, or by the presidential administrative groups and the division management councils as set forth in Constitution 4, as determined by the constitution and bylaws governing each division, and shall be consistent with the purposes and fundamental policy set forth in Constitution 1, and shall be designed to advance one or more principles such as those set forth in Constitution 2. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)* *

5.01.2 Approaches to Legislative Process. The membership of the Association recognizes that certain fundamental policies, practices and principles have applicability to all members, while others are applicable to division groupings of members, based on a common philosophy shared among the individual members of the division and on special policies and concerns that are common to the nature and purposes of the institutions in the division. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)* *

5.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

5.02.1 Legislative (Constitution and Bylaws) Provisions

5.02.1.1 Dominant. A dominant provision is a regulation that applies to all members of the Association and is of sufficient importance to the entire membership that it requires a two-thirds majority vote of all delegates present and voting in joint session at an annual or special Convention. Dominant provisions are identified by an asterisk (*). *

5.02.1.1.1 Division Dominant. A division dominant provision is a regulation that applies to all members of a division and is of sufficient importance to the division that it requires a two-thirds majority vote of all delegates present and voting at a division's annual or special Convention. Division dominant provisions are identified by the diamond symbol (◆). *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)* *

5.02.1.2 Common. A common provision is a regulation that applies to more than one of the divisions of the Association. A common provision shall be adopted by each of the applicable divisions, acting separately pursuant to the divisional legislative process described in Constitution 5.3, and must be approved by all applicable divisions to be effective. Common provisions are identified by the pound sign (#). *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)* *

5.02.1.3 Federated. A federated provision is a regulation adopted by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting of one or more of the divisions or subdivisions of the Association, acting separately in accordance with the divisional legislative process described in Constitution 5.3. Such a provision applies only to the division(s) or subdivision(s) that adopts it. Federated provisions are identified by the Roman numeral(s) of the division(s) or subdivision(s) to which the provision is applicable. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)* *

5.1 CONVENTIONS AND MEETINGS

5.1.1 Authorization

5.1.1.1 Annual Convention. There shall be an annual Convention of this Association during the second week of January or at such other time as may be prescribed by the Executive Committee. *

5.1.1.2 Special Convention. A special Convention of the Association may be called by the Executive Committee. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)* *

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5.1.2 Annual or Special Convention Programs

- * **5.1.2.1 Establishment of Program—Annual or Special Convention.** The program of the business session of an annual or special Convention of the Association shall be established by the Executive Committee, acting as the Convention program committee. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*
- * **5.1.2.1.1 Change in Program.** Once adopted by a majority vote of the Convention, the order of business established in the program may be changed or suspended only by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting.
- * **5.1.2.2 Other Convention Arrangements.** All other arrangements for a Convention of the Association or for division legislative meetings shall be made by the president, subject to the direction and approval of the Executive Committee, which shall serve as the Convention arrangements committee.
- * **5.1.2.3 Business and Discussion Sessions**
 - * **5.1.2.3.1 General Business Session.** When determined necessary by the Executive Committee, an annual or special Convention shall include a general business session to enable all three divisions, meeting in joint session, to act on the dominant legislation specified in Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere, and on the actions of any division determined to be contrary to the Association's basic purposes, fundamental policies and general principles. *(Revised: 1/10/91, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*
 - * **5.1.2.3.2 Division Business Sessions.** An annual or special Convention shall include separate division business sessions to: *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*
 - (a) Enable a single division to act, in accordance with the constitution and bylaws, on federated legislation pertaining to that division; *(Revised: 1/10/91, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*
 - (b) Discuss matters of interest to the members of each division; and
 - (c) Act upon division membership criteria waiver requests under the provisions of the bylaws.
 - * **5.1.2.3.3 Round-Table Discussions.** In addition to the division business sessions, a general round-table discussion may be held to enable the membership to discuss matters of general interest.

5.1.3 Annual or Special Convention Delegates

5.1.3.1 Institutional and Conference Delegates

- * **5.1.3.1.1 With Voting Privileges.** Each active member and each member conference with voting privileges, as specified in Constitution 3.3.2.2, shall be entitled to one vote. Institutions and conferences designating both a male and a female as voting or alternate delegates on the Convention appointment form shall be allowed to appoint four official institutional delegates. In all other circumstances, institutions shall be limited to not more than three official delegates. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*
- * **5.1.3.1.2 Without Voting Privileges.** Each member conference without voting privileges shall be entitled to one accredited delegate without voting privilege.
- * **5.1.3.2 Corresponding, Affiliated and Provisional Delegates.** Each corresponding, affiliated and provisional member shall be entitled to one accredited delegate without voting privilege.
- * **5.1.3.3 Visiting Delegates.** Member and nonmember institutions and organizations are authorized to send visiting delegates, who shall not have voting privileges.
- * **5.1.3.4 Certification and Voting of Delegates.** The certification and voting of delegates shall be conducted as follows:
 - (a) Delegates shall be certified to the NCAA national office as entitled to represent the member in question by the proper executive officers of their institutions or organizations;
 - (b) An active member or member conference represented by more than one delegate shall designate (on the proper form signed by the chief executive officer) the delegate entitled to cast its vote. Once the member has so designated its primary voting and alternate voting delegates, transferring the voting rights between or among them is a matter of institutional judgment, inasmuch as the voter and alternate(s) have been approved as voters;
 - (c) The same delegate may represent both an active member and a member conference;
 - (d) A delegate shall not represent any active member or member conference unless the delegate actually is identified with such member, and an institution's student may not serve as its voting or alternate voting delegate;
 - (e) Whenever the Association votes on any question by roll call, either written or viva voce, on

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demand of any delegate, the names of delegates as they vote shall be checked by the Membership Committee in order to verify the authority of the voter; and

- (f) Voting by proxy shall not be allowed.

5.1.3.5 Delegate Participation in Conventions and Meetings

5.1.3.5.1 Active Delegate. Privileges of the floor and the right to active participation in the business proceedings of any annual or special Convention of the Association is accorded to the following: *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)* *

- (a) Any of the accredited delegates authorized in Constitution 5.1.3.1.1 to represent an active member or member conference with voting privileges; *(Revised: 1/10/92)*
- (b) The single accredited delegate authorized in Constitution 5.1.3.1.2 to represent a member conference without voting privileges or in Constitution 5.1.3.2 to represent an affiliated, corresponding or provisional member;
- (c) Any member of the Executive Committee, the divisional presidential administrative groups per Constitution 4.2 through 4.4, the divisional management councils per Constitution 4.5 through 4.7 and the chair (or a committee member designated to speak for the chair) of an NCAA committee listed in Bylaw 21; and *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*
- (d) Any member of a division's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. *(Adopted: 1/10/91)*

5.1.3.5.2 Visiting Delegate. Visiting delegates authorized in Constitution 5.1.3.3 shall not actively participate in the business proceedings. *

5.1.4 Operational Procedures

5.1.4.1 Quorum. One hundred (100) active members and member conferences represented as prescribed in this constitution shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the Association's business. For purposes of voting by membership divisions, 40 members of each division shall constitute a quorum. *

5.1.4.2 Parliamentary Rules. The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall be the parliamentary authority for the conduct of all meetings of the Association. Additionally, they shall be the deciding reference used in case of parliamentary challenge in all instances to which they apply and in which they are not superseded by this constitution, the bylaws or any special rule of order adopted by the Association in accordance with Constitution 5.4.3. *

5.1.4.3 Consideration of Legislation. Legislation shall be acted on only at the Convention business sessions in accordance with the constitution and bylaws. *

5.1.4.3.1 Order and Grouping of Legislation. In the consideration of groupings of related amendments or amendments-to-amendments, the Convention shall consider first the proposal that contemplates the greatest modification of the present circumstance, followed by the other proposals in the order of decreasing modification. Once a proposal in such a grouping is adopted, those that follow ordinarily will become moot. *

5.1.4.3.2 Legislation at General Session. Dominant legislation per Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere, and federated legislation determined by the Executive Committee to be contrary to the Association's basic purposes, fundamental policies and general principles shall be acted on by the divisions meeting in joint session. *(Revised: 1/10/91, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)* *

5.1.4.3.3 Legislation at Division Sessions. Legislation pertaining only to a single division of the Association may be acted on in a separate legislative session of that division. Federated legislation pertaining to more than a single division of the Association may be acted on by the appropriate divisions during the separate division business sessions. *(Revised: 1/10/91, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)* *

5.1.4.3.4 Single-Gender Athletics Program. An active member or member conference with no men's athletics program shall not be permitted to vote on issues affecting only men's athletics, and an active member or member conference with no women's athletics program shall not be permitted to vote on issues affecting only women's athletics.

5.1.4.4 Voting Methods. The methods of voting at an NCAA Convention shall be by voice, paddle, roll call and/or secret ballot, in accordance with the following procedures: *

- (a) **Voice Vote.** The presiding officer shall determine whether to use voice voting. In the taking of a voice vote, if the presiding officer is in doubt, or on request for a division of the assembly by any member eligible to vote on the particular issue, the presiding officer shall retake the vote by a show of paddles.
- (b) **Paddle Vote.** The presiding officer shall determine whether to use paddle voting. In the taking of

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a vote by show of paddles, if the presiding officer is in doubt, or on the request of any member eligible to vote on the particular issue, the presiding officer shall order the vote to be counted.

- (c) **Secret Ballot.** Voting by secret ballot shall be conducted only when so ordered by a majority of the eligible delegates present and voting, after the making of an undebatable motion to vote in that manner.
- (d) **Roll Call.** Voting by roll call, on issues other than those so designated by the presidential administrative groups in accordance with Constitution 4.3.2-(g) and 4.4.2-(f) shall be conducted only when so ordered by a majority of the eligible delegates present and voting, after the making of an undebatable motion to vote in that manner. If both a roll-call vote and a secret ballot are moved on a particular issue, the vote shall be taken first on whether to vote by roll call. Any interim or subsequent vote to amend, postpone, reconsider, refer or table a proposal that has been designated by the presidential administrative groups for a roll-call vote during the Convention also must be conducted by roll-call vote. *(Revised: 1/10/92, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

5.2 ELEMENTS OF LEGISLATION

- * **5.2.1 Constitution.** The membership may adopt legislation to be included in the constitution of the Association, which sets forth basic purposes, fundamental policies and general principles that generally serve as the basis on which the legislation of the Association shall be derived and which includes information relevant to the purposes of the Association. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*
- * **5.2.2 Operating Bylaws.** Each division may adopt legislation to be included in the operating bylaws of the Association, which provide rules and regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of the constitution and which shall include, but not be limited to, the following particulars: *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*
 - (a) The administration of intercollegiate athletics by members of the Association;
 - (b) The establishment and control of NCAA championships (games, matches, meets and tournaments) and other athletics events sponsored or sanctioned by the Association;
 - (c) The procedures for administering and enforcing the provisions of the constitution and bylaws; and
 - (d) The adoption of rules of play and competition in the various sports, and the delegation of authority in connection with such subjects to individuals, officers or committees.
- * **5.2.3 Administrative Bylaws.** The administrative bylaws of the Association (i.e., administrative regulations, executive regulations, enforcement policies and procedures, and athletics certification policies and procedures) provide rules and regulations for the implementation of policy adopted by the membership as set forth in the constitution and operating bylaws. They are distinct from the operating bylaws in that, to provide greater flexibility and efficiency in the conduct of the affairs of the Association, they may be adopted or amended by the applicable division presidential administrative group per Constitution 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*
 - * **5.2.3.1 Administrative Regulations.** Each division is empowered to adopt or revise administrative regulations consistent with the provisions of the constitution and bylaws, subject to amendment by the membership, for the implementation of policy established by legislation governing the general activities of each division. The administrative bylaws may be adopted or amended by the applicable division presidential administrative group per Constitution 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4 or at any annual or special Convention by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting in accordance with the relevant sections of Constitution 5.3.4. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*
 - * **5.2.3.2 Executive Regulations.** Each division is empowered to adopt or revise executive regulations consistent with the provisions of the constitution and bylaws, subject to amendment by the membership. Executive regulations relate to the administration of the division's championships, the expenditure of the division's funds, the distribution of the income of the division and the general administration of the affairs of the division. The executive regulations may be adopted or amended by the applicable division presidential administrative group per Constitution 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4 or at any annual or special Convention by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting in accordance with the relevant sections of Constitution 5.3.4. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*
 - * **5.2.3.3 Enforcement Policies and Procedures.** The Committee on Infractions is empowered to adopt or revise policies and procedures for the conduct of the Association's enforcement program, subject to approval by the Management Council. These policies and procedures shall be developed by the Committee on Infractions, shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of the constitution and bylaws, and shall be subject to amendment by the membership.
- * **5.2.4 Resolutions.** Legislation of a temporary character effective only for a specified time period may be enacted through resolutions not inconsistent with the constitution, bylaws (including administrative bylaws) and special rules of order (see Constitution 5.4.2).

5.2.5 Interpretations of Constitution and Bylaws. The management councils per 4.5 through 4.7, in the interim between Conventions, and the Legislation Committee, in the interim between meetings of the presidential administrative groups and management councils, are empowered to make interpretations of the constitution and bylaws (see Constitution 5.4.1). (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*) *

5.2.6 Special Rules of Order. The Association may adopt special rules of order not inconsistent with the constitution and bylaws. These special rules, with Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, this constitution, and the bylaws, shall be the parliamentary authority for the conduct of all meetings of the Association and, together, shall be the deciding reference used in case of parliamentary challenge in all instances to which they apply (see Constitution 5.4.3). *

5.2.7 Statements of Division Philosophy. The membership of a division or subdivision, through appropriate deliberative processes, may prepare a statement of division philosophy relating to the development and operation of an intercollegiate athletics program in the division. Such a statement is not binding on member institutions but shall serve as a guide for the preparation of legislation by the division and for planning and implementation of programs by institutions and conferences (see Constitution 5.4.4). *

5.3 AMENDMENT PROCESS

5.3.1 Authorizing Legislation

See Figure 5-1, page 45, for the current amendment process and legislative calendar.

5.3.1.1 Amendment. The dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere and the division dominant provisions may be amended only at an annual or special Convention. Federated provisions may be amended at any annual or special Convention. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*) *

5.3.1.1.1 Noncontroversial Amendment. The Presidents Council, in the interim between annual Conventions, by a three-fourths majority of its members present and voting, may adopt noncontroversial legislative amendments clearly necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of the division's legislation. The Presidents Council shall not adopt recruiting or eligibility legislation in accordance with this provision. The Management Council shall submit such amendments to the division's Presidents Council for ratification and shall sponsor legislation at the next annual Convention to confirm the adoption of such amendments. (*Adopted: 1/10/90, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.1.1.2 Emergency Legislation. The Presidents Council may adopt "emergency" legislation that shall be effective immediately in situations when the NCAA must respond to, or comply with, a court, alternative dispute resolution (ADR) or government order or when the Presidents Council deems it appropriate to limit or avoid NCAA liability as a result of litigation, ADR or governmental proceedings. Such "emergency" legislation shall be adopted by at least a three-fourths majority of the members of the Presidents Council present and voting. Further, "emergency legislation" adopted by the Presidents Council must be ratified by the Division II membership at the next regularly scheduled NCAA Convention. (*Adopted: 1/11/00*)

5.3.1.2 Amendment-to-Amendment—Dominant Provisions. A proposed amendment to the dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere may be amended at any annual or special convention. From July 15 through September 15, sponsors of proposed legislation may refine and change proposals in any manner that is germane to the original proposal. After September 15, proposed amendments may be amended only if the amendment to the proposed amendment does not increase the modification of the provision to be amended. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*) *

5.3.1.3 Amendment-to-Amendment—Division Dominant Provisions. A proposed amendment to a division dominant provision may be amended at any annual or special convention. From July 15 through September 15, sponsors of proposed legislation may refine and change proposals in any manner that is germane to the original proposal. After September 15, proposed amendments may be amended only if the amendment to the proposed amendment does not increase the modification of the provision to be amended. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.1.4 Amendment-to-Amendment—Federated Provisions. A proposed amendment to a federated provision of the bylaws may be amended at any annual or special Convention. From July 15 through September 15, sponsors of proposed legislation may refine and change proposals in any manner that is germane to the original proposal. After September 15, proposed amendments may be amended only if the amendment to the proposed amendment does not increase the modification of the provision to be amended. (*Revised: 1/10/90, 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.2 Sponsorship—Amendments to Dominant Provisions

5.3.2.1 Amendment. An amendment to a dominant provision of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere may be sponsored by the Executive Committee. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*) *

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- * **5.3.2.2 Amendment-to-Amendment.** An amendment-to-amendment to a dominant provision of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere may be sponsored by the Executive Committee. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)
- * **5.3.2.3 Editorial Changes.** The presiding officer may permit changes in the wording of proposed amendments of a purely editorial nature or to correct typographical errors.

5.3.3 Sponsorship—Amendments to Division Dominant Provisions

5.3.3.1 Amendment. An amendment to a division dominant provision may be sponsored by the appropriate divisional presidential administrative group. (*Adopted: 1/9/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.3.2 Amendment-to-Amendment. An amendment-to-amendment to a division dominant provision may be sponsored by the appropriate divisional presidential administrative group. (*Adopted: 1/9/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.3.3 Editorial Changes. The presiding officer may permit changes in the wording of a proposed amendment of a purely editorial nature or to correct typographical errors. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.4 Sponsorship—Amendments to Division II Legislation

5.3.4.1 Amendment. An amendment to a provision of the bylaws may be sponsored by: (*Adopted: 1/9/96 Revised: 1/14/97*)

- (a) The Presidents Council;
- (b) Fifteen or more active member institutions with voting privileges on written verification of sponsorship signed by each sponsoring member's chief executive officer or the chief executive officer's designated representative;
- (c) At least two member conferences with voting privileges when submitted by the chief elected or executive officer of the conferences on behalf of 15 or more of their active member institutions and signed by the chairs of the conferences' official presidential administrative groups or at least two chief executive officers of a conference's member institutions if a conference has no presidential administrative group.

5.3.4.1.1 Amendment, Federated Provision. When legislation is applicable only to a particular division, only members of that division may submit amendments to that legislation. (*Revised: 1/10/92, 1/9/96, 1/14/97*)

5.3.4.1.2 Primary Contact Person. All amendments to the constitution and bylaws proposed by member institutions shall designate a primary contact person. (*Adopted: 1/10/90, Revised: 1/16/93, 1/9/96, 1/14/97*)

5.3.4.2 Amendment-to-Amendment. An amendment to an amendment of a provision of the bylaws may be sponsored by: (*Adopted: 1/9/96, 1/14/97*)

- (a) The Presidents Council;
- (b) Fifteen or more active member institutions with voting privileges when submitted in writing by each institution's chief executive officer or the chief executive officer's designated representative;
- (c) At least two member conferences with voting privileges when submitted by the chief elected or executive officer of the conferences on behalf of 15 or more of their active member institutions and signed by the chairs of the conferences' official presidential administrative groups or at least two chief executive officers of a conference's member institutions if a conference has no presidential administrative group.

5.3.4.2.1 Primary Contact Person. All amendments-to-amendments to the constitution and bylaws proposed by member institutions shall designate a primary contact person. (*Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/16/93, 1/9/96, 1/14/97*)

5.3.4.3 Editorial Changes. The presiding officer may permit changes in the wording of proposed amendments of a purely editorial nature or to correct typographical errors. (*Revised: 1/9/96, 1/14/97*)

5.3.5 Submission Deadline

5.3.5.1 Dominant Provisions

- * **5.3.5.1.1 Amendments.** Amendments to dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere shall be sponsored by the Executive Committee in accordance with the following deadlines: (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)
 - (a) Annual Convention—September 1.

- (b) Special Convention—Ninety days preceding a special Convention.

5.3.5.1.1.1 Exception. The Executive Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for the submission of amendments for an annual Convention when a special Convention is held after September 1. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*) *

5.3.5.1.2 Amendments-to-Amendments. The Executive Committee must submit amendments to their original proposals in writing and such amendments must be submitted not later than 5 p.m. Central time September 15, unless the amendment-to-amendment does not increase the modification specified in the original proposal. Any amendment to a proposed amendment submitted after September 15 shall not increase the modification of the original proposal and must be submitted in writing not later than 5 p.m. Central time November 1 before an annual Convention or 60 days before a special Convention. The Executive Committee may propose amendments-to-amendments at the time of the Convention without meeting these procedural requirements, provided the proposed amendment-to-amendment has been approved by two-thirds of the Executive Committee and copies are distributed before or during the business session. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*) *

5.3.5.2 Division Dominant Provisions

5.3.5.2.1 Amendments. Amendments to division dominant provisions shall be sponsored by the appropriate divisional presidential administrative group in accordance with the following deadlines: (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

- (a) Annual Convention—September 1.
(b) Special Convention—Ninety days before a special Convention.

5.3.5.2.1.1 Exception. A divisional presidential administrative group, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for the submission of amendments for an annual Convention when a special Convention is held after September 1. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.5.2.2 Amendments-to-Amendments. The appropriate divisional presidential administrative group must submit amendments to its original proposals in writing and such amendments must be submitted not later than 5 p.m. Central time September 15, unless the amendment-to-amendment does not increase the modification specified in the original proposal. Any amendment to a proposed amendment submitted after September 15 shall not increase the modification of the original proposal and must be submitted in writing not later than 5 p.m. Central time November 1 before an annual Convention or 60 days before a special Convention. A divisional presidential administrative group may propose amendments-to-amendments at the time of the Convention without meeting these procedural requirements, provided the proposed amendment-to-amendment has been approved by two-thirds of the divisional presidential administrative group and copies are distributed before or during the appropriate business session. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.5.3 Legislation

5.3.5.3.1 Amendment. Deadline dates for receipt at the national office of proposed amendments are as follows: (*Revised: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.5.3.1.1 Amendment Proposed by Membership

- (a) Annual Convention—5 p.m. Central time July 15 (conference-sponsored amendments must meet the July 15 deadline, and the required chief executive officer signatures for these proposals must be received by 5 p.m. Central time August 1). (*Revised: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90, Revised: 1/10/92, 1/11/94*)
(b) Special Convention—Ninety days before a special Convention. (*Revised: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90*)

5.3.5.3.1.1.1 Exception. The Presidents Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for the submission of amendments for an annual Convention when a special Convention is held after July 15. (*Revised: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.5.3.1.2 Amendments Sponsored by Presidents Council

- (a) Annual Convention—September 1. (*Adopted: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90, Revised: 1/11/94*)
(b) Special Convention—Ninety days before a special Convention. (*Adopted: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90*)

5.3.5.3.1.2.1 Exception. The Presidents Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for the submission of amendments for an

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annual Convention when a special Convention is held after September 1. (*Adopted: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.5.3.2 Amendment-to-Amendment. Sponsors of proposed amendments must submit amendments to their original proposals in writing and such amendments must be received at the Association's national office not later than 5 p.m. Central time September 15, unless the amendment-to-amendment does not increase the modification specified in the original proposal. Any amendment to a proposed amendment submitted after September 15 shall not increase the modification of the original proposal and must be submitted in writing and received at the Association's national office not later than 5 p.m. Central time November 1 before an annual Convention or 60 days before a special Convention. (*Revised: 1/10/92, 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.5.3.2.1 Exception, Presidents Council. The Presidents Council may propose amendments-to-amendments at the time of the Convention without meeting these procedural requirements, provided that in each instance the proposed amendment to an amendment has been approved by two-thirds of the Council and copies are distributed before or during the business sessions. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.5.3.3 Cost Considerations. The Presidents Council may require the sponsors of each proposed amendment or amendment-to-amendment that, if adopted, would result in significant expenditures from the division's budget and/or by member institutions to provide written documentation of the estimated costs to the division and/or the members. (*Revised: 1/10/92, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.6 Notification to Membership

5.3.6.1 Amendments to Dominant Provisions

- * **5.3.6.1.1 Initial Publication.** Amendments to dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere sponsored by the Executive Committee shall be published for the information of the membership as follows: (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)
 - (a) Not later than September 23 for an annual Convention.
 - (b) Not later than 75 days before a special Convention.
- * **5.3.6.1.2 Official Notice.** A copy of the proposed amendments shall be mailed to all members of the Association not later than November 15 before an annual Convention or 45 days before a special Convention. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)
- * **5.3.6.1.3 Delayed Date.** If the Executive Committee establishes a date later than July 15 or September 1 for the submission of amendments to dominant provisions for an annual Convention, it, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for publishing copies of the proposed amendments for information of the membership. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)
- * **5.3.6.1.4 Amendments-to-Amendments.** Copies of all amendments-to-amendments to dominant provisions submitted by the Executive Committee in accordance with the September 15 deadline shall be published by September 23. Copies of all other amendments-to-amendments submitted by the November 1 deadline shall be published in the Official Notice of the Convention. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.6.2 Amendments to Division Dominant Provisions

5.3.6.2.1 Initial Publication. Amendments to division dominant provisions sponsored by a divisional presidential administrative group shall be published for the information of the membership as follows: (*Adopted: 1/19/96 effective 8/1/97*)

- (a) Not later than September 23 for an annual Convention.
- (b) Not later than 75 days before a special Convention.

5.3.6.2.2 Official Notice. A copy of the proposed amendments shall be mailed to members of the appropriate division not later than November 15 before an annual Convention or 45 days before a special Convention. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.6.2.3 Delayed Date. If a divisional presidential administrative group establishes a date later than July 15 or September 1 for the submission of amendments to division dominant provisions for an annual Convention, it, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for publishing copies of the proposed amendments for information of the membership. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.6.2.4 Amendments-to-Amendments. Copies of all amendments-to-amendments to division dominant provisions submitted by a divisional presidential administrative group in accordance

with the September 15 deadline shall be published by September 23. Copies of all other amendments-to-amendments submitted by the November 1 deadline shall be published in the Official Notice of the Convention. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.6.3 Amendments to Legislation

5.3.6.3.1 Initial Publication. Proposed amendments shall be published for the information of the appropriate division as follows: (*Adopted: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90, Revised: 1/10/90, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

- (a) Not later than August 15—Those proposed by the membership, including the primary contact person's name, title and member institution or member conference, as well as the sponsors' statements of intent and rationale and any proposals designated for inclusion by the Presidents Council; and (*Adopted: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90, Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/92, 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)
- (b) Not later than September 23—Those submitted by the Presidents Council and those modified by the sponsors; or (*Adopted: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90, Revised: 1/10/92, 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)
- (c) Not later than 75 days before a special Convention—All proposed amendments. (*Adopted: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.6.3.2 Official Notice. A copy of the proposed amendments shall be mailed to members of the appropriate division not later than November 15 before an annual Convention or 45 days before a special Convention. (*Revised: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.6.3.3 Delayed Date. If the Presidents Council establishes a date later than July 15 or September 1 for the submission of amendments for an annual Convention, it, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may establish a later date for publishing copies of the proposed amendments for information of the membership. (*Revised: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.6.3.4 Amendments-to-Amendments. Copies of all amendments to proposed amendments submitted by the proposal's original sponsors in accordance with the September 15 deadline shall be published by September 23. Copies of all other amendments to proposed amendments submitted by the November 1 deadline shall be published in the Official Notice of the Convention. (*Revised: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90, 1/10/90, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.7 Committee Review—Legislation. All legislative proposals submitted by the membership per Constitution 5.3.4 shall be evaluated by an appropriate NCAA committee before they can be included on the agenda for an NCAA Convention. Such evaluation may involve a position of support or opposition and/or a suggestion of an alternative proposal by the committee. The committee shall complete its evaluation not later than October 7. The committee position, if any, shall not prevent the membership from voting on the proposal at the next Convention, provided all appropriate submission deadlines have been met. (*Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.7.1 Committee Designation. The Presidents Council shall assign each proposal to the appropriate committee(s) for evaluation and shall designate a subcommittee of itself or the Management Council or a special committee when no appropriate committee exists. (*Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.7.2 Publication of Committee Position. The position of the appropriate committee shall be printed with the relevant proposal in the Official Notice of the NCAA Convention. (*Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.8 Adoption of Amendment, Voting Requirements

5.3.8.1 Voting Requirement Determination. The Executive Committee shall be authorized to determine the voting requirement for an amendment when the voting requirement is not obvious from the content or context of the legislation. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*) *

5.3.8.2 Dominant Provision. Adoption of an amendment to a dominant provision of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere shall require a two-thirds majority vote of all delegates present and voting in joint session at an annual or special Convention of the Association. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*) *

5.3.8.3 Division Dominant Provision. Adoption of a division dominant provision shall require a two-thirds majority vote of all delegates of the affected division present and voting at a division's annual or special Convention. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.8.4 Federated Provision. Adoption of an amendment to a federated provision shall require a majority vote of the delegates present and voting of one or more division(s) of the Association, acting separately, at an annual or special Convention or at a division legislative meeting of the Association. Such legislation shall apply only to the division(s) adopting it. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

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5.3.9 Adoption of Amendment-to-Amendment, Voting Requirements

- * **5.3.9.1 Dominant Provision.** A proposed amendment to an amendment of a dominant provision of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere shall be approved by a majority vote of all delegates present and voting. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.9.2 Division Dominant Provision. A proposed amendment to an amendment of a division dominant provision shall be approved by a majority vote of the delegates of the affected division present and voting. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.9.3 Federated Provision. A proposed amendment to an amendment of a federated provision shall be approved by a majority vote of the delegates of the affected division present and voting. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

- * **5.3.10 Special Voting Requirements.** The following topics are subject to special voting requirements.

- * **5.3.10.1 National Collegiate Championship.** A National Collegiate Championship per Bylaw 18.02.1.1 may be established by action of all three divisions acting through each division's governance structure, subject to all requirements, standards and conditions prescribed in Bylaw 18.2. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.10.2 Division Championship. A division championship per Bylaw 18.02.1.2 may be established by a majority vote of all members present and voting at an annual Convention, subject to all requirements, standards and conditions prescribed in Bylaw 18.2. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.10.3 Football Television Plan. Only members that sponsor varsity intercollegiate football shall be permitted to vote on adoption of NCAA football television plans and on amendments to Bylaw 22 governing those plans. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.10.4 Voting on Football Issues. An active member or voting member conference with no football program shall not be permitted to vote on issues affecting only football. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

- * **5.3.10.5 Challenged Action.** The action of any specific division challenged by the Executive Committee as being contrary to the basic purposes, fundamental policies and general principles set forth in the Association's constitution may be overridden by the Association's entire membership by a two-thirds majority vote of those institutions voting. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.11 Intent and Rationale

- * **5.3.11.1 Amendments to Dominant Provisions.** All amendments to dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere shall include a statement of intent and a separate statement of rationale. The statement of rationale shall not exceed 200 words in length. All amendments-to-amendments shall include a statement of intent and, if applicable, a cost estimate. An amendment-to-amendment also may include a statement of rationale that shall not exceed 50 words in length. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.11.2 Amendments to Division Dominant Provisions. All amendments to division dominant provisions shall include a statement of intent and a separate statement of rationale. The statement of rationale shall not exceed 200 words in length. All amendments-to-amendments shall include a statement of intent and, if applicable, a cost estimate. An amendment-to-amendment also may include a statement of rationale that shall not exceed 50 words in length. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.11.3 Amendments to Federated Provisions. All amendments to federated provisions shall include a statement of intent and a separate statement of rationale. The statement of rationale shall not exceed 200 words in length. All amendments-to-amendments shall include a statement of intent and, if applicable, a cost estimate. An amendment-to-amendment also may include a statement of rationale that shall not exceed 50 words in length. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.12 Effective Date

- * **5.3.12.1 Dominant Provisions.** All amendments to dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere shall become effective not earlier than the first day of August after adoption by the Convention. (*Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

- * **5.3.12.1.1 Alternative to August 1 Effective Date.** If a voting delegate wishes to propose an immediate effective date, or to propose any other effective date before the first day of August, a two-thirds majority of all delegates present and eligible to vote on the amendment is required to approve the immediate or alternative effective date. Those amendments specified as being effective immediately shall become effective on adjournment of the Convention. (*Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.12.2 Division Dominant Provisions. All amendments to division dominant provisions shall become

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effective not earlier than the first day of August after adoption by the Convention. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.12.2.1 Alternative to August 1 Effective Date. If a voting delegate wishes to propose an immediate effective date, or to propose any other effective date before the first day of August, a two-thirds majority of all delegates present and eligible to vote on the amendment is required to approve the immediate or alternative effective date. Those amendments specified as being effective immediately shall become effective on adjournment of the Convention. (*Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.12.3 Federated Provisions. All amendments to federated provisions shall become effective not earlier than the first day of August after adoption by the Convention. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.12.3.1 Alternative to August 1 Effective Date. If a voting delegate wishes to propose an immediate effective date, or to propose any other effective date before the first day of August, a two-thirds majority of all delegates present and eligible to vote on the amendment is required to approve the immediate or alternative effective date. Those amendments specified as being effective immediately shall become effective on adjournment of the Convention. (*Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.13 Reconsideration

5.3.13.1 Vote on Dominant Provisions. Before the adjournment of any Convention, an affirmative or negative vote on an amendment to a provision of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere may be subjected to one motion for reconsideration of that action by any member that voted on the prevailing side in the original consideration. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

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5.3.13.2 Vote on Division Dominant Provisions. Before adjournment of any Convention, an affirmative or negative vote on an amendment to a division dominant provision may be subjected to one motion for reconsideration of that action by any member that voted on the prevailing side in the original consideration. Reconsideration of the vote must occur in the appropriate division business session. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.3.13.3 Vote on Federated Provisions. Before adjournment of any Convention, an affirmative or negative vote on an amendment to a federated provision may be subjected to one motion for reconsideration of that action by any member that voted on the prevailing side in the original consideration. Reconsideration of the vote must occur in the appropriate division business session. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.4 OTHER LEGISLATIVE AND AMENDMENT PROCEDURES**5.4.1 Interpretations of Constitution and Bylaws**

5.4.1.1 Authorization. The Legislation Committee, in the interim between meetings of the Management Council, are empowered to make interpretations of the constitution and bylaws (see Constitution 5.2.5). (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.4.1.1.1 Modification of Wording. In addition to its general authority to make binding interpretations of NCAA legislation, the Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may interpret legislation consistent with the intent of the membership in adopting the legislation if sufficient documentation and testimony are available to establish clearly that the wording of the legislation is inconsistent with that intent. The Management Council shall sponsor legislation at the next annual Convention to confirm any such interpretations. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.4.1.2 Interpretation Process**5.4.1.2.1 Division II Process**

5.4.1.2.1.1 Response to Request. The membership services staff shall respond to a request from a member institution for an interpretation of NCAA rules. Such an interpretation is binding on the institution unless it is modified by the Legislation Committee. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

5.4.1.2.1.2 Review of Staff Interpretation. A member institution may request a review by the Legislation Committee of any interpretation provided by the legislative services staff. Such a request must be submitted in writing by the institution's conference or by one of the five individuals who are authorized to request such interpretations on behalf of the institution [i.e., chief executive officer, faculty athletics representative, athletics director, senior woman administrator, compliance coordinator, or designated substitute(s) for the chief executive officer and/or athletics director, as specified in writing to the national office]. (*Revised: 1/10/91, 1/11/94, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

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5.4.1.2.1.3 Review of Legislation Committee Decision. The Management Council shall review all interpretations issued by the Legislation Committee and may approve, reverse or modify such interpretations. A member institution may appeal a decision of the Legislation Committee to the Management Council meeting immediately after the decision of the committee. The appeal must be submitted in writing by the institution's chief executive officer, faculty athletics representative or director of athletics. The Management Council shall establish the procedures for such an appeal. (*Adopted: 1/11/94, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

5.4.1.2.1.4 Publication or Notification. Interpretations issued by the Legislation Committee shall be binding on notification to affected institutions and on all member institutions after publication and circulation to the membership. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

5.4.1.2.1.5 Revision. Interpretations approved by the Management Council may not be revised by the Legislation Committee. The Legislation Committee may only recommend to the Management Council revisions of such interpretations. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

5.4.1.3 Application. An interpretation of the constitution or bylaws shall be applicable to the membership division(s) to which the provision applies.

5.4.1.4 Request for Convention Review. Any member of the Association to which an interpretation applies may request a review of the interpretation at the next annual Convention by making such a request in writing to the Association's Convention office before 1 p.m. on the day before the division business sessions of the Convention.

5.4.1.4.1 Affirmation of Interpretation. An interpretation of the constitution or bylaws submitted for review requires the same vote for affirmation that would be required for an amendment of the provisions to which the interpretation applies (e.g., majority vote of the delegates present and voting in the appropriate division for an interpretation of a federated provision). An interpretation that fails to receive the required vote for affirmation shall not be binding on the membership.

5.4.1.5 Amendment by Membership. A proposed amendment to an existing interpretation must be submitted in accordance with the requirements of Constitution 5.3.4.

5.4.1.6 Convention-Approved Interpretations. All interpretations approved by the Convention shall be incorporated into the constitution or bylaws.

5.4.1.7 Appeals of Interpretations. An institution may appeal to the Management Council a decision of an NCAA committee (excluding actions related to the restoration of a student-athlete's eligibility) or the NCAA staff regarding the application of NCAA legislation to a particular situation. In reaching its decision, the Management Council shall review the complete record in order to determine whether there is sufficient basis to grant relief from the application of the legislation. The Management Council shall establish the process for such a review; shall monitor the actions taken under this authorization; and shall report annually to the membership the actions taken, in summary, aggregate form. (*Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.4.2 Resolutions

* **5.4.2.1 Authorization.** Legislation pertaining to one or more divisions may be enacted through resolutions not inconsistent with the constitution, bylaws (including administrative bylaws) and special rules of order.

* **5.4.2.2 Scope and Application.** Legislation enacted through resolutions shall be of a temporary nature, effective only for a limited time as specified in the resolution itself.

5.4.2.3 Dominant Provisions

* **5.4.2.3.1 Sponsorship.** A resolution related to the dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere may be sponsored by the Executive Committee. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

* **5.4.2.3.2 Submission Deadline.** A proposed resolution related to the dominant provisions of Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere must be submitted before November 1. The Executive Committee may sponsor resolutions at the time of the Convention without meeting this deadline provided the proposed resolution has been approved by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee and copies are distributed during the business sessions. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.4.2.3.3 Voting Requirements

* **5.4.2.3.3.1 Adoption—Annual/Special Convention.** Adoption of a resolution shall require a majority vote of the delegates present and voting at an annual or special Convention. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

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5.4.2.3.3.2 Mail Ballot. If a majority of the delegates present and voting so direct, a resolution shall be referred to the entire membership for a mail vote conducted under conditions approved by the Executive Committee. A two-thirds majority of members voting in any such mail vote shall be required for the enactment of the legislation proposed in the resolution. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

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5.4.2.4 Division Dominant Provisions

5.4.2.4.1 Sponsorship. A resolution related to a division dominant provision may be sponsored by the appropriate divisional presidential administrative group. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

5.4.2.4.2 Submission Deadline. A proposed resolution related to a division dominant provision must be submitted before November 1. A divisional presidential administrative group may sponsor resolutions at the time of the Convention without meeting this deadline provided the proposed resolution has been approved by a two-thirds majority vote of that presidential administrative group and copies are distributed during the appropriate division business sessions. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

5.4.2.4.3 Voting Requirements

5.4.2.4.3.1 Adoption—Annual/Special Convention. Adoption of a resolution shall require a majority vote of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting at an annual or special Convention. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

5.4.2.4.3.2 Mail Ballot. If a majority of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting so direct, a resolution shall be referred to the entire membership of that division for a mail vote conducted under conditions approved by the appropriate presidential administrative group. A two-thirds majority of members of the applicable division voting in any such mail vote shall be required for the enactment of the legislation proposed in the resolution. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

5.4.2.5 Federated Provisions

5.4.2.5.1 Sponsorship. A resolution related to a federated provision may be sponsored by: *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

- (a) The Presidents Council;
- (b) Fifteen or more active member institutions with voting privileges on written verification of sponsorship signed by each sponsoring member's chief executive officer or the chief executive officer's designated representative; *(Revised: 1/11/89 effective 2/1/90, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*
- (c) At least two member conferences with voting privileges when submitted by the chief elected or executive officer of the conferences on behalf of 15 or more of their active member institutions and signed by the chairs of the conference's official presidential administrative groups or at least two chief executive officers of a conference's member institutions if a conference has no presidential administrative group. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

5.4.2.5.2 Submission Deadline. A proposed resolution related to a federated provision must be submitted in writing to the national office before November 1. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

5.4.2.5.2.1 Exception. The applicable Presidents Council may sponsor resolutions at the time of the Convention without meeting this deadline, provided the proposed resolution has been approved by a two-thirds vote of the Presidents Council and copies are distributed before or during the business sessions. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

5.4.2.5.3 Cost Considerations. The sponsors of each proposed resolution that, if adopted, would require significant expenditures from the division's budget and/or by member institutions shall provide, before the deadline set forth in this section, written documentation of the estimated costs to the Association and/or the members. The information shall be included with the copy of the proposed resolution distributed to the membership. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

5.4.2.5.4 Voting Requirements

5.4.2.5.4.1 Adoption—Annual/Special Convention. Adoption of a resolution shall require a majority vote of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting at an annual or special Convention. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

5.4.2.5.4.2 Mail Ballot. If a majority of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting so direct, a resolution shall be referred to the members of the applicable division for a mail vote conducted by the officers under conditions approved by the Presidents Council. A two-thirds majority of members of the applicable division voting in any such mail vote shall be

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required for the enactment of the legislation proposed in the resolution. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

5.4.3 Special Rules of Order

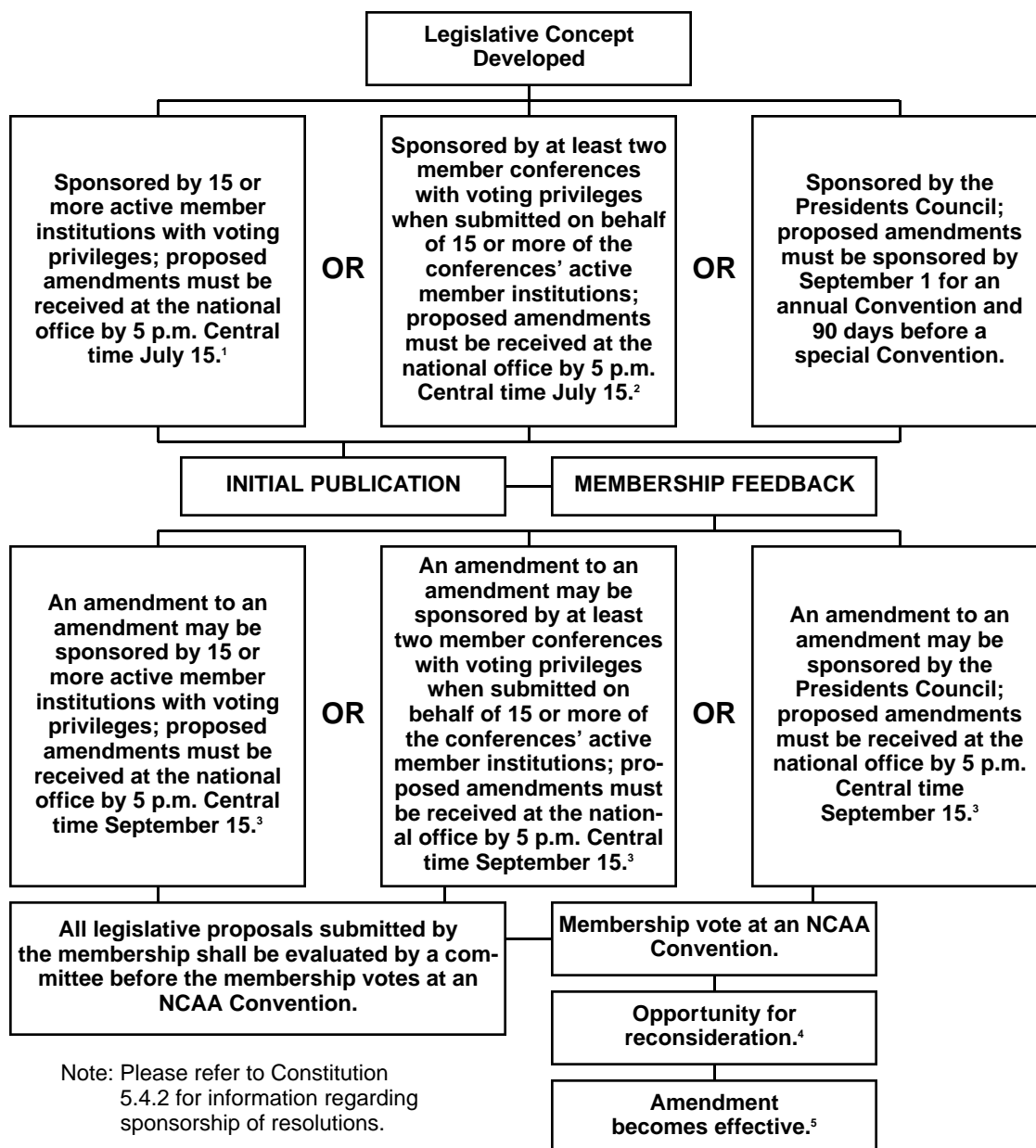
- * **5.4.3.1 General Business Sessions.** The Association may adopt special rules of order not inconsistent with the constitution and bylaws by a two-thirds majority of the delegates present and voting at any annual or special Convention. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)
- * **5.4.3.2 Division Business Sessions.** Each division may adopt special rules of order not inconsistent with the constitution and bylaws by a two-thirds majority of the delegates of the applicable division present and voting at any annual or special Convention. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)
- * **5.4.3.3 Amendment Process.** Proposed special rules of order and amendments to existing special rules of order shall be subject to the same procedural requirements for previous notice and amendments as prescribed in Constitution 5.3.

5.4.4 Statements of Division Philosophy

5.4.4.1 Authorization. Each division or subdivision, through appropriate deliberative processes, may prepare a statement of division philosophy relating to the development and operation of an intercollegiate athletics program in the division or subdivision.

5.4.4.2 Scope and Application. Such a statement is not binding on member institutions but shall serve as a guide for the preparation of legislation by the division or subdivision and for planning and implementation of programs by institutions and conferences.

5.4.4.3 Adoption Process. A statement of division philosophy may be adopted at any annual or special Convention by a majority vote of the delegates of the appropriate division present and voting. If a statement of division philosophy is adopted, it shall be published in the NCAA Manual. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

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1. Proposals must be submitted in writing by each institution's chief executive officer or the chief executive officer's designated representative.
2. Proposals must be submitted by the chief elected or executive officer of the conferences on behalf of their active member institutions and must be signed by the chairs of the conferences' official presidential administrative groups (or at least two chief executive officers of a conference's member institutions if a conference does not have a presidential administrative group).
3. If the amendment-to-amendment does not increase the modification specific in the original proposal, the amendment to a proposed amendment for an annual Convention must be submitted in writing and received at the national office not later than 5 p.m. Central time November 1. In addition, the Presidents Council may propose amendments-to-amendments at the time of the Convention without meeting the submission deadlines provided the proposed amendments are approved by at least two-thirds of the Council and copies are distributed before or during the Division II business session.
4. Before the adjournment of any Convention, an affirmative or negative vote on an amendment may be subjected to one motion for reconsideration of that action by any member that voted on the prevailing side in the original consideration.
5. All amendments shall become effective not earlier than the first day of August after adoption by the Convention delegates. However, if a voting delegate wishes to propose an immediate effective date, or to propose any other effective date before the first day of August, a two-thirds majority of all delegates present and eligible to vote on the amendment is required to approve the date. Those amendments designated as being effective immediately shall become effective on adjournment of the Convention.

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6.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

6.01.1 Institutional Control. The control and responsibility for the conduct of intercollegiate athletics shall be exercised by the institution itself and by the conference(s), if any, of which it is a member. Administrative control or faculty control, or a combination of the two, shall constitute institutional control.

6.1 INSTITUTIONAL GOVERNANCE

6.1.1 Chief Executive Officer. A member institution's chief executive officer has ultimate responsibility and final authority for the conduct of the intercollegiate athletics program and the actions of any board in control of that program.

6.1.2 Athletics Board. A board in control of athletics or an athletics advisory board, which has responsibility for advising or establishing athletics policies and making policy decisions, is not required. However, if such a board exists, it must conform to the following provisions.

6.1.2.1 Composition. Administration and/or faculty staff members shall constitute at least a majority of the board in control of athletics or an athletics advisory board, irrespective of the chief executive officer's responsibility and authority or whether the athletics department is financed in whole or in part by student fees. If the board has a parliamentary requirement necessitating more than a simple majority in order to transact some or all of its business, then the administrative and faculty members shall be of sufficient number to constitute at least that majority.

6.1.2.1.1 Administrator Defined. An administrator (for purposes of this legislation) is an individual employed by the institution as a full-time administrative staff member who holds an academic appointment, is directly responsible to the institution's chief executive officer or serves as a chief administrative official (e.g., admissions director, finance officer, department head, or athletics department head). Other nonacademic staff members and individuals who are members of an institution's board of trustees or similar governing body would not be considered to be administrators for purposes of this regulation.

6.1.2.1.2 Board Subcommittee. If a board subcommittee is appointed, it is not necessary for the subcommittee to have majority control by administration and/or faculty members (see Constitution 6.1.2.1), provided all actions of the subcommittee are approved by the entire board before becoming effective. However, if the subcommittee's actions are effective permanently or become effective immediately and remain in effect until reviewed by the entire board at a later date, the subcommittee's membership must satisfy the majority-control requirement.

6.1.2.1.3 Attendance. A parliamentary majority of administrators and faculty members of a board in control of athletics is not required to be present at any single meeting in order to conduct business.

6.1.2.2 Chair or Voting Delegate. Only an administrator or faculty member (as opposed to a student, alumnus or governing board member) may serve as chair of a member institution's board in control of intercollegiate athletics or represent the board as the institution's voting delegate at Conventions. Institutional representatives in these positions have responsibility for advising or establishing athletics policies and making policy decisions that require administrative and/or faculty control.

6.1.3 Faculty Athletics Representative. A member institution shall designate an individual to serve as faculty athletics representative. An individual so designated after January 12, 1989, shall be a member of the institution's faculty or an administrator who holds faculty rank and shall not hold an administrative or coaching position in the athletics department. Duties of the faculty athletics representative shall be determined by the member institution. (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)

6.1.4 Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Each institution shall establish a student-athlete advisory-

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ry committee for its student-athletes. The composition and duties of the committee shall be determined by the institution. (*Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95*)

6.2 BUDGETARY CONTROL

6.2.1 Normal Budgeting Procedures. The institution's annual budget for its intercollegiate athletics programs shall be controlled by the institution and subject to its normal budgeting procedures.

6.2.2 Chief Executive Officer Approval. The institution's chief executive officer or an institutional administrator designated by the chief executive officer from outside the athletics department shall approve the annual budget in the event that the institution's normal budgeting procedures do not require such action.

6.2.3 Financial Audit

6.2.3.1 Requirement. At least once every three years, all expenditures for or in behalf of a member institution's intercollegiate athletics programs, including those by any outside organization, agency or group of individuals (two or more), shall be subject to a financial audit (in addition to any regular financial audit policies and procedures of the institution) conducted for the institution by a qualified auditor who is not a staff member of the institution and who is selected either by the institution's chief executive officer or by an institutional administrator from outside the athletics department designated by the chief executive officer.

6.2.3.1.1 Audit Schedule. The audit report, encompassing only expenditures for a given fiscal year, shall be completed and presented to the chief executive officer before the end of the institution's next fiscal year.

6.2.3.1.2 Exception. A member institution with an operating budget for intercollegiate athletics of less than \$1,000,000 (excluding staff salaries), as verified in writing to the NCAA by the chief executive officer, shall be exempt from this legislation. (*Revised 1/10/95*)

6.3 SELF-STUDY AND EVALUATION

6.3.1 Self-Study Report. Institutions shall conduct a comprehensive self-study and evaluation of their intercollegiate athletics programs at least once every five years, using the Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG). The report of the self-study and supporting documentation shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the Association. Subjects covered by the self-study shall include: (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

- (a) Institutional purpose and athletics philosophy;
- (b) The authority of the chief executive officer in personnel and financial affairs;
- (c) Athletics organization and administration;
- (d) Finances;
- (e) Personnel;
- (f) Sports programs;
- (g) Recruiting policies;
- (h) Services for student-athletes; and
- (i) Student-athlete profiles.

6.3.1.1 Institutions Completing Provisional Membership. An institution that completes the four-year provisional membership period and is granted active membership status must conduct a comprehensive self-study and evaluation of its intercollegiate athletics program no later than the end of the first year of active membership, regardless of when the previous self-study was completed. (*Adopted: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

6.4 RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACTIONS OF OUTSIDE ENTITIES

6.4.1 Independent Agencies or Organizations. An institution's "responsibility" for the conduct of its intercollegiate athletics program shall include responsibility for the acts of an independent agency or organization when a member of the institution's executive or athletics administration, or an athletics department staff member, has knowledge that such agency or organization is promoting the institution's intercollegiate athletics program.

6.4.2 Representatives of Athletics Interests. An institution's "responsibility" for the conduct of its intercollegiate athletics program shall include responsibility for the acts of individuals when a member of

the institution's executive or athletics administration has knowledge or should have knowledge that such an individual:

- (a) Has participated in or is a member of an agency or organization as described in Constitution 6.4.1;
- (b) Has made financial contributions to the athletics department or to an athletics booster organization of that institution;
- (c) Has been requested by the athletics department staff to assist in the recruitment of prospective student-athletes or is assisting in the recruitment of prospective student-athletes;
- (d) Has assisted or is assisting in providing benefits to enrolled student-athletes; or
- (e) Is otherwise involved in promoting the institution's athletics program.

6.4.2.1 Agreement to Provide Benefit or Privilege. Any agreement between an institution (or any organization that promotes, assists or augments in any way the athletics interests of the member institution, including those identified per Constitution 6.4.1) and an individual who, for any consideration, is or may be entitled under the terms of the agreement to any benefit or privilege relating to the institution's athletics program, shall contain a specific clause providing that any such benefit or privilege may be withheld if the individual has engaged in conduct that is determined to be a violation of NCAA legislation. The clause shall provide for the withholding of the benefit or privilege from a party to the agreement and any other person who may be entitled to a benefit or privilege under the terms of the agreement. (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

6.4.2.2 Retention of Identity as "Representative." Any individual participating in the activities set forth in Constitution 6.4.2 shall be considered a "representative of the institution's athletics interests," and once so identified as a representative, it is presumed the person retains that identity.

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10.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLE

10.01.1 Honesty and Sportsmanship. Individuals employed by (or associated with) a member institution to administer, conduct or coach intercollegiate athletics and all participating student-athletes shall act with honesty and sportsmanship at all times so that intercollegiate athletics as a whole, their institutions and they, as individuals, shall represent the honor and dignity of fair play and the generally recognized high standards associated with wholesome competitive sports.

10.1 UNETHICAL CONDUCT

Unethical conduct by a prospective or enrolled student-athlete or a current or former institutional staff member may include, but is not limited to, the following: *(Revised: 1/10/90, 1/9/96)*

- Refusal to furnish information relevant to an investigation of a possible violation of an NCAA regulation when requested to do so by the NCAA or the individual's institution;
- Knowing involvement in arranging for fraudulent academic credit or false transcripts for a prospective or an enrolled student-athlete;
- Knowing involvement in offering or providing a prospective or an enrolled student-athlete an improper inducement or extra benefit or improper financial aid; *(Revised: 1/9/96)*
- Knowingly furnishing the NCAA or the individual's institution false or misleading information concerning the individual's involvement in or knowledge of matters relevant to a possible violation of an NCAA regulation; or
- Receipt of benefits by an institutional staff member for facilitating or arranging a meeting between a student-athlete and an agent, financial advisor or a representative of an agent or advisor (e.g., "runner"). *(Adopted: 1/9/96)*

10.2 KNOWLEDGE OF USE OF BANNED DRUGS

A member institution's athletics department staff members or others employed by the intercollegiate athletics program who have knowledge of a student-athlete's use at any time of a substance on the list of banned drugs, as set forth in Bylaw 31.2.3.1, shall follow institutional procedures dealing with drug abuse or shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in Bylaw 19.6.2.2.

10.3 GAMBLING ACTIVITIES

Staff members of a member conference, staff members of the athletics department of a member institution and student-athletes shall not knowingly: *(Revised: 1/13/98 effective 8/1/98)*

- Provide information to individuals involved in organized gambling activities concerning intercollegiate athletics competition;
- Solicit a bet on any intercollegiate team;
- Accept a bet on any team representing the institution;
- Solicit or accept a bet on any intercollegiate competition for any item (e.g., cash, shirt, dinner) that has tangible value; or *(Adopted: 1/13/98)*
- Participate in any gambling activity that involves intercollegiate athletics or professional athletics, through a bookmaker, a parlay card or any other method employed by organized gambling. *(Revised: 1/9/96, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

10.4 DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Prospective or enrolled student-athletes found in violation of the provisions of this regulation shall be ineligible for further intercollegiate competition, subject to appeal to the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee for restoration of eligibility. Institutional staff members found in violation of the provisions of this regulation shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in Bylaw 19.6.2.2 of the NCAA enforcement procedures, whether such violations occurred at the certifying institution or during the individual's previous employment at another member institution. *(Revised: 1/10/90)*

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11.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

11.02.1 Bonus. A bonus is a direct cash payment over and above an athletics department staff member's institutional salary in recognition of a specific and extraordinary achievement (see Bylaw 11.3.2.3).

11.02.2 Supplemental Pay. Supplemental pay is the payment of cash over and above an athletics department staff member's institutional salary by an outside source for the purpose of increasing that staff member's annual earnings (see Bylaw 11.3.2.2).

11.1 CONDUCT OF ATHLETICS PERSONNEL

11.1.1 Standards of Honesty and Sportsmanship. Individuals employed by or associated with a member institution to administer, conduct or coach intercollegiate athletics shall act with honesty and sportsmanship at all times so that intercollegiate athletics as a whole, their institutions and they, as individuals, represent the honor and dignity of fair play and the generally recognized high standards associated with wholesome competitive sports. (See Bylaw 10 for more specific ethical-conduct standards.)

11.1.2 Responsibility for Violations of NCAA Regulations. Institutional staff members found in violation of NCAA regulations shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in the provisions of the NCAA enforcement procedures, whether such violations occurred at the certifying institution or during the individual's previous employment at another member institution.

11.1.3 Use of Association Name or Affiliation. Staff members of member institutions and others serving on the Association's committees or acting as consultants shall not use, directly or by implication, the Association's name or their affiliation with the Association in the endorsement of products or services.

11.1.4 Representing Individuals in Marketing Athletics Ability/Reputation. Staff members of the athletics department of a member institution shall not represent, directly or indirectly, any individual in the marketing of athletics ability or reputation to an agent, a professional sports team or a professional sports organization, including receiving compensation for arranging commercial endorsements or personal appearances for former student-athletes, except as specified in Bylaw 11.1.5.1, and shall not receive compensation or gratuities of any kind, directly or indirectly, for such services. (*Revised: 1/10/92, 1/11/94*)

11.1.4.1 Exception—Professional Sports Counseling Panel and Head Coach. An institution's professional sports counseling panel or a head coach in a sport may contact agents, professional sports teams or professional sports organizations on behalf of a student-athlete, provided no compensation is received for such services. The head coach shall consult with and report his or her activities on behalf of the student-athlete to the institution's professional sports counseling panel. If the institution has no such panel, the head coach shall consult with and report his or her activities to the chief executive officer, [or an individual or group (e.g., athletics advisory board) designated by the chief executive officer]. The professional sports counseling panel and the head coach may: (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

- Communicate directly (e.g., in-person, by mail or telephone) with representatives of a professional athletics team to assist in securing a tryout with that team for a student-athlete;
- Assist the student-athlete in the selection of an agent by participating with the student-athlete in interviews of agents, by reviewing written information player agents send to the student-athlete and by having direct communication with those individuals who can comment about the abilities of an agent (e.g., other agents, a professional league's players' association); and
- Visit with player agents or representatives of professional athletics teams to assist the student-athlete in determining his or her market value (e.g., potential salary, draft status).

11.1.5 Involvement in Noncertified All-Star Contests. Staff members of the athletics department of a member institution shall not knowingly participate, directly or indirectly, in the management, coaching, officiating, supervision, promotion or player selection of any all-star contest involving student-athletes that

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is not certified by the Association's Exempted Contests Subcommittee of the Division I Championships/Competition Cabinet.

11.1.6 Use of Tobacco Products. The use of tobacco products is prohibited by all game personnel (e.g., coaches, trainers, managers and game officials) in all sports during practice and competition. Uniform penalties (as determined by the applicable rules-making committees and sports committees with rules-making responsibilities) shall be established for such use. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/10/95, 1/14/97, 4/16/97 effective 8/1/97*)

11.2 CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS

11.2.1 Stipulation That NCAA Enforcement Provisions Apply. Contractual agreements or appointments between a coach and an institution shall include the stipulation that a coach who is found in violation of NCAA regulations shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in the provisions of the NCAA enforcement procedures.

11.2.1.1 Termination of Employment. Contractual agreements or appointments between a coach and an institution shall include the stipulation that the coach may be suspended for a period of time, without pay, or that the coach's employment may be terminated if the coach is found to be involved in deliberate and serious violations of NCAA regulations.

11.3 LIMITATIONS ON COMPENSATION AND REMUNERATION

See Bylaw 11.02 for additional regulations regarding coaches' compensation and remuneration.

11.3.1 Control of Employment and Salaries. The institution, as opposed to any outside source, shall remain in control of determining who is to be its employee and the amount of salary the employee is to receive within the restrictions specified by NCAA legislation.

11.3.2 Income in Addition to Institutional Salary

11.3.2.1 Promotional Activities. A staff member of a member institution's athletics department may not be compensated by an individual or commercial business outside of the institution for employment or assistance in the production, distribution or sale of items (e.g., calendars, pictures, posters, advertisements, cards) bearing the names or pictures of student-athletes. The use of the names or pictures of student-athletes on promotional items is limited to institutionally controlled activities involving the sale of official institutional publications and team or individual pictures by the institution. This restriction shall apply even if the promotional item is provided without charge to the public by an outside individual or commercial business that produces or purchases the item through the assistance of the institution's staff member.

11.3.2.2 Noninstitutional Publications That Report on Athletics Program. Athletics department staff members shall not endorse (either orally or in writing) any noninstitutional publication dedicated primarily to reporting on an institution's athletics activities, except as provided in this section, and shall not write for or receive any remuneration from such publications. (*Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/11/94*)

11.3.2.2.1 Educational Articles. Athletics department staff members may write educational articles related to NCAA rules and crowd control for noninstitutional publications dedicated primarily to reporting on an institution's athletics activities. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

11.3.2.3 Compensation in Exchange for Use of Merchandise. Staff members of a member institution's athletics department shall not accept, before receiving written approval from the institution's chief executive officer, compensation or gratuities (excluding institutionally administered funds) from an athletics shoe, apparel or equipment manufacturer in exchange for the use of such merchandise during practice or competition by the institution's student-athletes (see Bylaw 11.2.2). (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

11.3.2.4 Recruiting Service Consultants. Institutional athletics department staff members may not endorse, serve as consultants or participate on advisory panels for any recruiting or scouting service involving prospects. (*Adopted: 1/16/93*)

11.3.3 Employment with Professional Sports Organizations

11.3.3.1 Nonpermissible Employment Arrangements. Staff members of a member institution's athletics department shall not accept compensation or gratuities for representing a professional sports organization as a coach or scout in the negotiating of a contract or for the performance of other services that involve the observation of or contact with athletics talent, except during times in which the staff member is not under contract with the institution. Except as provided in Bylaw 11.3.3.2, any compen-

sational arrangement between a professional sports organization and a college staff member (e.g., for scouting other professional teams or assisting the professional employer in coaching its team) is evidence of an indirect arrangement to assure the staff member's assistance in evaluating or procuring college talent. *(Revised: 1/11/00, effective 8/1/00)*

11.3.3.1.1 Semiprofessional Organization. Employment arrangements with semiprofessional sports organizations or with professional or semiprofessional organizations involved in a sport in which the NCAA conducts a championship (or one in which the playing rules and skills are directly related to the NCAA sport; e.g., box lacrosse, indoor soccer or indoor football) are subject to the limitations in this section.

11.3.3.2 Permissible Employment or Income Arrangements

11.3.3.2.1 Employment Unrelated to Restricted Activities. A staff member may be employed by a professional sports organization, if the institution documents that the individual is in no way directly or indirectly involved in the coaching, scouting or contacting of athletics talent or the negotiation of a contract for such talent (e.g., participation as a player on a professional team).

11.3.3.2.2 Income from the Sale of Stock. A staff member may purchase and realize income from the sale of stock in a professional sports organization only if such a purchase does not place the staff member in a position of administrative or supervisory control of that organization.

11.3.3.2.3 Established Professional Enhancement Program. A staff member may participate in an established, formal program administered by a professional sports organization and designed to enhance the skills associated with the staff member's profession. A staff member participating in the program may receive direct compensation (including stipends) and expenses from the sponsoring organization, consistent with the compensation and expenses received by other program participants. The Management Council shall establish necessary policies and guidelines regarding participation by an institution's staff members in such a program. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

11.4 EMPLOYMENT OF HIGH-SCHOOL OR TWO-YEAR COLLEGE COACHES

11.4.1 Graduate Teaching Assistant. A member institution may provide legitimate compensation to a high-school coach who is also a graduate teaching assistant enrolled in a bona fide postgraduate program conducted by the institution.

11.4.2 Institutional Camp or Clinic. See Bylaw 13.13.2.2 for regulations relating to the employment of high-school, preparatory school or two-year college coaches in institutional camps or clinics.

11.4.3 Regulations. A high-school or two-year college coach may be employed, provided the individual:

- (a) Performs actual, on-the-field coaching duties;
- (b) Is involved in recruiting only to the same extent as other institutional on-the-field coaches; and
- (c) Is under contract or other binding agreement for a period of not less than one academic year; however, the member institution is permitted to confine its compensation to such a coach to a shorter period of time, such as a sport season.

11.5 CERTIFICATION TO RECRUIT OFF CAMPUS

11.5.1 Regulations. The provisions of this section apply to all sports. *(Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/93 in Division II)*

11.5.1.1 Annual Certification Requirement. Only those coaches who have been certified may contact or evaluate any prospective student-athletes off campus. Certification must occur on an annual basis. *(Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/93)*

11.5.1.1.1 Certification Administration. Such certification procedures shall be established by the NCAA national office in a standardized format and administered for its member institutions by the member conferences of the Association or, in the case of an independent institution, by the NCAA national office or the conference office that administers the National Letter of Intent for that institution. Such certification procedures shall include a requirement that the coaches shall have passed a standardized national test covering NCAA recruiting legislation, including Bylaw 13 and other bylaws [e.g., Bylaws 15.3.3 (institutional financial aid award) and 14.3 (freshman academic requirements)] that relate to the recruitment of prospective student-athletes as a condition for being permitted to engage in off-campus recruiting. *(Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/93, Revised: 1/16/93)*

11.5.1.1.2 NCAA Approval. Each member conference shall report annually to the NCAA, on a form approved by the Management Council, the procedures it uses to certify coaches to recruit off campus. *(Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/93)*

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12.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

12.01.1 Eligibility for Intercollegiate Athletics. Only an amateur student-athlete is eligible for inter-collegiate athletics participation in a particular sport.

12.01.2 Clear Line of Demarcation. Member institutions' athletics programs are designed to be an integral part of the educational program. The student-athlete is considered an integral part of the student body, thus maintaining a clear line of demarcation between college athletics and professional sports.

12.01.3 "Individual" versus "Student-Athlete." NCAA amateur status may be lost as a result of activities before enrollment in college. If NCAA rules specify that an "individual" may or may not participate in certain activities, this term refers to a person before and after enrollment in a member institution. If NCAA rules specify a "student-athlete," the legislation applies only to that person's activities after enrollment.

12.01.4 Permissible Grant-in-Aid. A grant-in-aid administered by an educational institution is not considered to be pay or the promise of pay for athletics skill, provided it does not exceed the financial aid limitations set by the Association's membership.

12.01.5 Compliance with Legislation for Emerging Sports. Beginning with the 1995-96 academic year, a member institution sponsoring an emerging sport for women (see Bylaw 20.02.5) shall comply fully in that program with all applicable amateurism legislation set forth in Bylaw 12. *(Adopted: 1/10/95)*

12.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

12.02.1 Individual. An individual, for purposes of this bylaw, is any person of any age without reference to enrollment in an educational institution or status as a student-athlete.

12.02.2 Pay. Pay is the receipt of funds, awards or benefits not permitted by the governing legislation of the Association for participation in athletics.

12.02.3 Professional Athlete. A professional athlete is one who receives any kind of payment, directly or indirectly, for athletics participation except as permitted by the governing legislation of the Association.

12.02.4 Professional Athletics Team. A professional team is any organized team that:

- Is a member of a recognized professional sports organization;
- Is directly supported or sponsored by a professional team or professional sports organization (see also Bylaw 12.6.1.1);
- Is a member of a playing league that is directly supported or sponsored by a professional team or professional sports organization (see also Bylaw 12.6.1.1); or
- Has an athlete receiving for his or her participation any kind of payment, directly or indirectly, from a professional team or professional sports organization (see also Bylaw 12.6.1.1).

12.02.5 Student-Athlete. A student-athlete is a student whose enrollment was solicited by a member of the athletics staff or other representative of athletics interests with a view toward the student's ultimate participation in the intercollegiate athletics program. Any other student becomes a student-athlete only when the student reports for an intercollegiate squad that is under the jurisdiction of the athletics department, as specified in Constitution 3.2.4.4. A student is not deemed a student-athlete solely on the basis of prior high-school athletics participation.

12.1 GENERAL REGULATIONS

An individual must comply with the following to retain amateur status. (See Bylaw 14 regarding the eligibility restoration process.)

12.1.1 Amateur Status. An individual loses amateur status and thus shall not be eligible for intercollegiate competition in a particular sport if the individual:

- (a) Uses his or her athletics skill (directly or indirectly) for pay in any form in that sport;
- (b) Accepts a promise of pay even if such pay is to be received following completion of intercollegiate athletics participation;
- (c) Signs a contract or commitment of any kind to play professional athletics, regardless of its legal enforceability or any consideration received;
- (d) Receives, directly or indirectly, a salary, reimbursement of expenses or any other form of financial assistance from a professional sports organization based on athletics skill or participation, except as permitted by NCAA rules and regulations;
- (e) Competes on any professional athletics team and knows (or had reason to know) that the team is a professional athletics team (per Bylaw 12.02.4), even if no pay or remuneration for expenses was received; or
- (f) Enters into a professional draft or an agreement with an agent (see also Bylaw 12.2.4.2.1).

12.1.1.1 Prohibited Forms of Pay. “Pay” as used in Bylaw 12.1.1 above includes, but is not limited to, the following:

12.1.1.1.1 Salary, Gratuity or Compensation. Any direct or indirect salary, gratuity or comparable compensation.

12.1.1.1.2 Division or Split of Surplus. Any division or split of surplus (bonuses, game receipts, etc.).

12.1.1.1.3 Educational Expenses. Educational expenses not permitted by the governing legislation of this Association (see Bylaw 15 regarding permissible financial aid to enrolled student-athletes).

12.1.1.1.3.1 Educational Expenses from Outside Sports Team or Organization. Educational expenses provided to an individual by an outside sports team or organization that are based in any degree on the recipient’s athletics ability [except as specified in Bylaw 15.2.5.5], even if the funds are given to the institution to administer to the recipient. (*Revised: 1/10/95*)

12.1.1.1.3.1.1 Educational Expenses—U.S. Olympic Committee. An individual (student-athlete or prospective student-athlete) may receive educational expenses awarded by the U.S. Olympic Committee, in accordance with the applicable conditions set forth in Bylaw 15.2.5.5. (*Adopted: 1/13/98*)

12.1.1.1.3.1.2 Educational Expenses—U.S. National Governing Body. An individual (student-athlete or prospective student-athlete) may receive educational expenses awarded by a U.S. national governing body (NGB) in accordance with the applicable conditions set forth in Bylaw 15.2.5.5. (*Adopted: 1/13/98 effective 8/1/98*)

12.1.1.1.4 Expenses, Awards and Benefits. Excessive or improper expenses, awards and benefits (see Bylaw 16 regarding permissible awards, benefits and expenses to enrolled student-athletes).

12.1.1.1.4.1 Cash or Equivalent Award. Cash, or the equivalent thereof (e.g., trust fund), as an award for participation in competition at any time, even if such an award is permitted under the rules governing an amateur, noncollegiate event in which the individual is participating. An award or a cash prize that an individual could not receive under NCAA legislation may not be forwarded in the individual’s name to a different individual or agency.

12.1.1.1.4.2 Expenses/Awards Prohibited by Rules Governing Event. Expenses incurred or awards received by an individual that are prohibited by the rules governing an amateur, noncollegiate event in which the individual participates.

12.1.1.1.4.3 Expenses from Outside Team or Organization. Expenses received from an outside amateur sports team or organization in excess of actual and necessary travel, room and board expenses, and apparel and equipment (for individual and team use only from teams or organizations not affiliated with member institutions, including local sports clubs as set forth in Bylaw 13.12.2.4) for competition and practice held in preparation for such competition. Practice must be conducted in a continuous time period preceding the competition except for practice sessions conducted by a national team, which occasionally may be interrupted for specific periods of time before the competition. (*Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/92*)

12.1.1.1.4.3.1 Expenses for Participation in Olympic Exhibitions. Expenses received from the U.S. Olympic Committee (USOC) or national governing body (NGB) to participate in Olympic tours or exhibitions involving Olympic team members and/or members of the national team, provided that if the individual is a student-athlete, he or she misses no class time, and the exhibition does not conflict with dates of institutional competition. (*Adopted: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

12.1.1.1.4.4 Unspecified or Unitemized Expenses. Payment to individual team members or individual competitors for unspecified or unitemized expenses beyond actual and necessary travel, room and board expenses for practice and competition.

12.1.1.1.4.5 Expenses from Sponsor Other than Parents/Legal Guardians or Nonprofessional Sponsor of Event. Actual and necessary expenses or any other form of compensation to participate in athletics competition (while not representing an educational institution) from a sponsor other than an individual on whom the athlete is naturally or legally dependent or the nonprofessional organization that is sponsoring the competition.

12.1.1.1.4.5.1 Expenses for Participation in Olympic Exhibitions. Actual and necessary expenses to participate in Olympic tours or exhibitions from a sponsor other than the U.S. Olympic Committee (USOC), national governing body (NGB) or nonprofessional organizations sponsoring the event, provided that if the individual is a student-athlete, he or she misses no class time, and the exhibition does not conflict with dates of institutional competition. (*Adopted: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

12.1.1.1.4.6 Expenses for Parents/Legal Guardians of Participants in Athletics Competition. Expenses received by the parents or legal guardians of a participant in athletics competition from a nonprofessional organization sponsoring the competition in excess of actual and necessary travel, room and board expenses, or any entertainment expenses, provided such expenses are made available to the parents or legal guardians of all participants in the competition. (*Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/11/97 effective 8/1/97*)

12.1.1.1.5 Payment Based on Performance. Any payment, including actual and necessary expenses, conditioned on the individual's or team's place finish or performance or given on an incentive basis, or receipt of expenses in excess of the same reasonable amount for permissible expenses given to all individuals or team members involved in the competition.

12.1.1.1.6 Preferential Treatment, Benefits or Services. Preferential treatment, benefits or services because of the individual's athletics reputation or skill or pay-back potential as a professional athlete, unless such treatment, benefits or services are specifically permitted under NCAA legislation. (*Revised: 1/11/94*)

12.1.1.1.7 Prize for Participation in Institution's Promotional Activity. Receipt of a prize for participation (involving the use of athletics ability) in a member institution's promotional activity that is inconsistent with the provisions of Bylaw 12.5.

12.1.1.2 Use of Overall Athletics Skill—Effect on Eligibility. Participation for pay in competition that involves the use of overall athletics skill (e.g., "superstars" competition) constitutes a violation of the Association's amateur-status regulations; therefore, an individual participating for pay in such competition is ineligible for intercollegiate competition in all sports. (See Bylaw 12.5.2.3.3 for exception related to promotional contests.)

12.1.1.3 Road Racing. "Road racing" is essentially the same as cross country or track and field competition and cannot be separated effectively from those sports for purposes of Bylaw 12. Therefore, a student-athlete who accepts pay in any form for participation in such a race is ineligible for intercollegiate cross country or track and field competition.

12.1.1.4 Exceptions to Amateurism Rule

12.1.1.4.1 Exception for Insurance against Disabling Injury or Illness. An individual may borrow against his or her future earnings potential from an established, accredited commercial lending institution exclusively for the purpose of purchasing insurance (with no cash surrender value) against a disabling injury or illness that would prevent the individual from pursuing a chosen career, provided a third party (including a member institution's athletics department staff members, its professional sports counseling panel or representatives of its athletics interests) is not involved in arrangements for securing the loan. The student-athlete shall report all such transactions and shall file copies of any loan documents associated with disability insurance with the member institution, regardless of the source of the collateral for the loan. The student-athlete also shall file copies of the insurance policy with the member institution, regardless of whether a loan is secured to purchase the insurance policy. (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

12.1.1.4.2 Exception for Institutional Fund-Raising Activities Involving the Athletics Ability of

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Student-Athletes. Institutional, charitable or educational promotions or fund-raising activities that involve the use of athletics ability by student-athletes to obtain funds (e.g., “swim-a-thons”) are permitted only if:

- (a) The money is contributed directly to the institution by the donor;
- (b) The student-athletes receive no compensation or prizes for their participation; and
- (c) The provisions of Bylaw 12.5.1 are satisfied.

12.1.1.4.3 Exception for USOC Elite Athlete Health Insurance Program. An individual may receive the comprehensive benefits of the USOC Elite Athlete Health Insurance Program. (*Adopted: 1/10/90*)

12.1.1.4.4 Exception for Training Expenses. An individual (prospective or enrolled student-athlete) may receive actual and necessary expenses [including grants but not prize money, whereby the recipient has qualified for the grant based on his or her performance in a specific event(s)] to cover developmental training, coaching, facility usage, equipment, apparel, supplies, comprehensive health insurance, travel, room and board without jeopardizing the individual's eligibility for intercollegiate athletics, provided such expenses are approved and provided directly by the U.S. Olympic Committee (USOC) or the appropriate national governing body (NGB) in the sport (or, for foreign student-athletes, the equivalent organization of that nation). (*Adopted: 1/10/91, Revised 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

12.1.1.4.5 Exception for Family Travel to Olympic Games. A commercial company (other than a professional sports organization) or members of the local community may provide actual and necessary expenses for an individual's spouse, parents, legal guardians or other relatives to attend the Olympic Games in which the individual will participate. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

12.1.1.4.6 Exception for Payment of Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse Fee. A high-school booster club (as opposed to specific individuals) may pay the necessary fee for prospects at that high school to be certified by the Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse, provided no particular prospect(s) is singled out because of his or her athletics ability or reputation. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

12.1.1.4.7 Exception for Camp Sponsored by a Charitable Foundation Funded by a Professional Sports Organization. An individual may receive actual and necessary expenses from a charitable foundation that is funded by a professional sports organization to attend a camp or clinic, provided: (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

- (a) The charitable foundation is one that is defined as an exempt organization by the Internal Revenue Service;
- (b) No professional sports organization, NCAA institution or conference owns or operates the sponsoring charitable foundation;
- (c) No camp participant is a prospective student-athlete per Bylaw 13.02.10;
- (d) The charitable foundation provides to the participants nothing more than actual and necessary expenses to attend the camp or clinic and equipment/apparel necessary for participation; and
- (e) All camp participants fall within the sponsoring charitable foundation's guidelines for determining low-income, at-risk children.

12.1.1.4.8 Exception for Receipt of Free Equipment and Apparel Items by a Prospective Student-Athlete. It is permissible for prospects (as opposed to student-athletes) to receive free equipment and apparel items for personal use from apparel or equipment manufacturers or distributors under the following circumstances: (*Adopted: 1/11/97 effective 8/1/97*)

- (a) The apparel or equipment items are related to the prospect's sport and are received directly from an apparel or equipment manufacturer or distributor;
- (b) The prospect does not enter into an arrangement (e.g., open account) with an apparel or equipment manufacturer or distributor that permits the prospect to select apparel and equipment items from a commercial establishment of the manufacturer or distributor; and
- (c) A member institution's coach is not involved in any manner in identifying or assisting an apparel or equipment manufacturer or distributor in determining whether a prospect is to receive any apparel or equipment items.

12.1.2 Amateur Status if Professional in Another Sport. A professional athlete in one sport may represent a member institution in a different sport. However, the student-athlete cannot receive institutional financial assistance in the second sport unless the student-athlete:

- (a) Is no longer involved in professional athletics;
- (b) Is not receiving any remuneration from a professional sports organization; and

- (c) Has no active contractual relationship with any professional athletics team. However, an individual may remain bound by an option clause in a professional sports contract that requires assignment to a particular team, if the student-athlete's professional career is resumed.

12.1.2.1 Professional at Later Date. If the individual later becomes involved in professional athletics while still a student-athlete with remaining eligibility, the individual would be considered to have violated the principles of ethical conduct per Bylaw 10, thus rendering the individual ineligible for intercollegiate competition.

12.2 INVOLVEMENT WITH PROFESSIONAL TEAMS

12.2.1 Tryouts

12.2.1.1 Tryout Before Enrollment. A student-athlete remains eligible in a sport even though, before enrollment in a collegiate institution, the student-athlete may have tried out with a professional athletics team in a sport or received not more than one expense-paid visit from each professional team (or a combine including that team), provided such a visit did not exceed 48 hours and any payment or compensation in connection with the visit was not in excess of actual and necessary expenses. A self-financed tryout may be for any length of time.

12.2.1.2 Tryout after Enrollment. A student-athlete shall not try out with a professional athletics team in a sport or permit a professional athletics team to conduct medical examinations during any part of the academic year (i.e., from the beginning of the fall term through completion of the spring term, including any intervening-vacation period) while enrolled in a collegiate institution as a regular student in at least a minimum full-time academic load, unless the student-athlete has exhausted eligibility in that sport. The student-athlete may try out with a professional organization in a sport during the summer or during the academic year while not a full-time student, provided the student-athlete does not receive any form of expenses or other compensation from the professional organization. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

12.2.1.2.1 Medical-Examination Exception. A single scouting bureau recognized by a professional league is permitted to conduct one medical examination per student-athlete during the academic year without jeopardizing the student-athlete's eligibility in that sport, provided the examination does not occur off campus. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

12.2.1.3 Outside Competition Prohibited. During a tryout, an individual may not take part in any outside competition (games or scrimmages) as a representative of a professional team.

12.2.1.4 Professional Team Representative at College Practice. A tryout with a professional team is not considered to have occurred when a representative of a professional team visits a member institution during the academic year and evaluates a student-athlete while the institution is conducting a regular practice session, physical education class or off-season conditioning program session that includes physical activities (e.g., speed trials, agility tests, strength tests), provided these activities are normally a part of and take place during regular practice, class or conditioning sessions.

12.2.2 Practice without Competition. An individual may participate in practice sessions conducted by a professional team, provided such participation meets the requirements of NCAA legislation governing tryouts with professional athletics teams (see Bylaw 12.2.1) and the individual does not:

- (a) Receive any compensation for participation in the practice sessions;
- (b) Enter into any contract or agreement with a professional team or sports organization; or
- (c) Take part in any outside competition (games or scrimmages) as a representative of a professional team.

12.2.2.1 Prohibited Involvement of Institution's Coach. An institution's coaching staff member may not arrange for or direct student-athletes' participation in football or basketball practice sessions conducted by a professional team.

12.2.3 Competition

12.2.3.1 Competition against Professionals. An individual may participate singly or as a member of an amateur team against professional athletes.

12.2.3.2 Competition with Professionals. An individual shall not be eligible for intercollegiate athletics in a sport, if the individual ever participated on a team and knew (or had reason to know) that the team was a professional team (per Bylaw 12.02.4) in that sport. However, an individual may compete on a tennis, golf, two-person sand volleyball or two-person synchronized diving team(s) with persons who are competing for cash or a comparable prize, provided the individual does not receive payment of any kind for such participation. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97)*

12.2.3.2.1 Professional Player as Team Member. An individual may participate with a profes-

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sional on a team, provided the professional is not being paid by a professional team or league to play as a member of that team (e.g., summer basketball leagues with teams composed of both professional and amateur athletes).

12.2.3.2.2 Professional Coach or Referee. Participation on a team that includes a professional coach or referee does not cause the team to be classified as a professional team.

12.2.3.2.3 Amateur/Professional Leagues. An individual may participate as a member of an amateur team in a league in which one or more teams are professional, provided the league is not a member of a recognized professional sports organization or is not directly supported or sponsored by a professional sports team or organization.

12.2.3.2.4 Major Junior A Ice Hockey. Ice hockey teams in the United States and Canada, classified by the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association as major junior A teams, are considered professional teams under NCAA legislation.

12.2.3.2.4.1 Limitation on Restoration of Eligibility. An appeal for restoration of eligibility may be submitted on behalf of an individual who has participated on a major junior A ice hockey team under the provisions of Bylaw 14.12; however, such individual shall be denied at least the first year of intercollegiate athletics competition in the sport of ice hockey at the certifying institution and shall be charged with the loss of at least one season of eligibility in the sport of ice hockey. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

12.2.3.3 Competition in Professional All-Star Contest. A student-athlete who agrees to participate in a professional (players to be paid) all-star game becomes ineligible to compete in any intercollegiate contest that occurs after that agreement. Thus, a senior entering into such an agreement immediately after the last regular-season intercollegiate contest would not be eligible to compete in a bowl game, an NCAA championship or any other certified postseason collegiate contest.

12.2.4 Draft and Inquiry

12.2.4.1 Inquiry. An individual may inquire of a professional sports organization about eligibility for a professional-league player draft or request information about the individual's market value without affecting his or her amateur status.

12.2.4.2 Draft List. An individual loses amateur status in a particular sport when the individual asks to be placed on the draft list or supplemental draft list of a professional league in that sport, even though:

- (a) The individual asks that his or her name be withdrawn from the draft list before the actual draft;
- (b) The individual's name remains on the list but he or she is not drafted; or
- (c) The individual is drafted but does not sign an agreement with any professional athletics team.

12.2.4.2.1 Exception—Professional Basketball Draft. A student-athlete in the sport of basketball may enter a professional league's draft one time during his or her collegiate career without jeopardizing eligibility in that sport, provided the student-athlete is not drafted by any team in that league and the student-athlete declares his or her intention to resume intercollegiate participation within 30 days after the draft. The student-athlete's declaration of intent shall be in writing to the institution's director of athletics. (*Adopted: 1/11/94, Revised: 1/10/95, 1/14/97 effective 4/16/97*)

12.2.4.3 Negotiations. An individual may request information about professional market value without affecting his or her amateur status. Further, the individual, his or her legal guardians or the institution's professional sports counseling panel may enter into negotiations with a professional sports organization without the loss of the individual's amateur status. An individual who retains an agent shall lose amateur status. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

12.2.5 Contracts and Compensation

12.2.5.1 General Rule. An individual shall be ineligible for participation in an intercollegiate sport, if he or she has entered into any kind of agreement to compete in professional athletics, either orally or in writing, regardless of the legal enforceability of that agreement. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

12.2.5.1.1 Nonbinding Agreements. An individual who signs a contract or commitment that does not become binding until the professional organization's representative or agent also signs the document is ineligible, even if the contract remains unsigned by the other parties until after the student-athlete's eligibility is exhausted.

12.3 USE OF AGENTS

12.3.1 General Rule. An individual shall be ineligible for participation in an intercollegiate sport, if he or she ever has agreed (orally or in writing) to be represented by an agent for the purpose of marketing his

or her athletics ability or reputation in that sport. Further, an agency contract not specifically limited in writing to a sport or particular sports shall be deemed applicable to all sports, and the individual shall be ineligible to participate in any sport.

12.3.1.1 Representation for Future Negotiations. An individual shall be ineligible per Bylaw 12.3.1, if he or she enters into a verbal or written agreement with an agent for representation in future professional sports negotiations that are to take place after the individual has completed his or her eligibility in that sport.

12.3.1.2 Benefits from Prospective Agents. An individual shall be ineligible per Bylaw 12.3.1, if he or she (or his or her relatives or friends) accepts transportation or other benefits from: *(Revised: 1/14/97)*

- (a) Any person who represents any individual in the marketing of his or her athletics ability. The receipt of such expenses constitutes compensation based on athletics skill and is an extra benefit not available to the student body in general; or
- (b) An agent, even if the agent has indicated that he or she has no interest in representing the student-athlete in the marketing of his or her athletics ability or reputation and does not represent individuals in the student-athlete's sport. *(Adopted: 1/14/97)*

12.3.2 Legal Counsel. Securing advice from a lawyer concerning a proposed professional sports contract shall not be considered contracting for representation by an agent under this rule, unless the lawyer also represents the student-athlete in negotiations for such a contract.

12.3.2.1 Presence of a Lawyer at Negotiations. A lawyer may not be present during discussions of a contract offer with a professional organization or have any direct contact (i.e., in person, by telephone or by mail) with a professional sports organization on behalf of the student-athlete. A lawyer's presence during such discussions is considered representation by an agent.

12.3.3 Athletics Scholarship Agent. Any individual, agency or organization that represents a prospective student-athlete for compensation in placing the prospect in a collegiate institution as a recipient of institutional financial aid shall be considered an agent or organization marketing the individual's athletics ability or reputation.

12.3.3.1 Talent Evaluation Services and Agents. A prospect may allow a scouting service or agent to distribute personal information (e.g., high-school academic and athletics records, physical statistics) to member institutions without jeopardizing his or her eligibility, provided the fee paid to such an agent is not based on placing the prospect in a collegiate institution as a recipient of institutional financial aid.

12.3.4 Professional Sports Counseling Panel. It is permissible for an authorized institutional professional sports counseling panel to:

- (a) Advise a student-athlete about a future professional career;
- (b) Provide direction on securing a loan for the purpose of purchasing insurance against a disabling injury; *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*
- (c) Review a proposed professional sports contract;
- (d) Meet with the student-athlete and representatives of professional teams;
- (e) Communicate directly (e.g., in-person, by mail or telephone) with representatives of a professional athletics team to assist in securing a tryout with that team for a student-athlete; *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
- (f) Assist the student-athlete in the selection of an agent by participating with the student-athlete in interviews of agents, by reviewing written information player agents send to the student-athlete and by having direct communication with those individuals who can comment about the abilities of an agent (e.g., other agents, a professional league's players' association); and *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
- (g) Visit with player agents or representatives of professional athletics teams to assist the student-athlete in determining his or her market value (e.g., potential salary, draft status). *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

12.3.4.1 Appointment by Chief Executive Officer. This panel shall consist of at least three persons appointed by the institution's chief executive officer (or his or her designated representative from outside the athletics department).

12.3.4.2 Composition. No more than one panel member may be an athletics department staff member. All other panel members must be selected by the institution from among its full-time employees employed outside the athletics department. No institutional staff member who is a sports agent may be a member of the panel. All panel members shall be identified to the NCAA national office. *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

12.4 EMPLOYMENT

12.4.1 Criteria Governing Compensation to Student-Athletes. All compensation received by a student-athlete must be consistent with the limitations on financial aid set forth in Bylaw 15. Compensation may be paid to a student-athlete:

- (a) Only for work actually performed; and
- (b) At a rate commensurate with the going rate in that locality for similar services.

12.4.1.1 Athletics Reputation. Such compensation may not include any remuneration for value or utility that the student-athlete may have for the employer because of the publicity, reputation, fame or personal following that he or she has obtained because of athletics ability.

12.4.1.2 Employment on a Commission Basis. An employer, other than the student-athlete's institution, may employ a student-athlete on a commission basis only if:

- (a) The cost of any preliminary training program for such employees is borne by the student-athlete (i.e., such costs may not be paid by a member institution or a representative of its athletics interests);
- (b) The personnel so employed consist of both student-athletes and nonathletes;
- (c) The employment of student-athletes does not result in the company's use of athletics reputations of such individuals to promote the sale of the company's products; and
- (d) The company is able to document that employees who are nonathletes receive earnings from sales commissions at a rate generally equivalent to the commission rate realized by the student-athletes employed by the company.

12.4.2 Specific Athletically Related Employment Activities

12.4.2.1 Broken-Time Payments. An individual may not receive "broken-time" payments except as authorized and administered by the United States Olympic Committee during the period immediately before and including actual Olympic competition. A permitted broken-time payment may cover financial loss as a result of absence from employment to prepare for or participate in the Olympic Games. Such compensation during any other period and payments administered independently of the USOC by other sports governing bodies (e.g., the United States Ski Association) are prohibited.

12.4.2.1.1 Exception When Individual Not Enrolled in Regular Term. An individual may receive broken-time payments administered by the United States Olympic Committee or the national governing body in the sport during a period when the individual is not enrolled (full or part time) in a regular term to cover financial loss as a result of absence from employment as a direct result of practicing and competing on a national team (defined in Bylaw 14.02.7), provided the amounts are consistent with the principles set forth in Bylaw 12.4.1 and do not exceed \$300 per week, and the payment period covers no more than the period from the date the individual begins practice with the national team after selection to that team to one week after the conclusion of the competition. *(Adopted: 1/10/90, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

12.4.2.2 Athletics Equipment Sales. A student-athlete may not be employed to sell equipment related to the student-athlete's sport, if his or her name, picture or athletics reputation is used to advertise or promote the product, the job or the employer. If the student-athlete's name, picture or athletics reputation is not used for advertising or promotion, the student-athlete may be employed in a legitimate sales position, provided he or she is reimbursed at an hourly rate or set salary in the same manner as any nonathlete salesperson.

12.4.2.3 Goodwill Tour Commissions. A student-athlete representing the institution in a goodwill tour during summer months, in conjunction with the tour, may sell such items as jackets, blazers or similar institutional promotional items to booster groups or other friends of the institution on a salary, but not a commission, basis.

12.4.3 Camp/Clinic Employment, General Rule. A student-athlete may be employed by his or her institution, by another institution or by a private organization to work in a camp or clinic as a counselor, unless otherwise restricted by NCAA legislation (see Bylaw 13.13 for regulations relating to camps and clinics). Out-of-season playing and practice limitations may restrict the number of players from the same institution who may be employed in that institution's camp (see the specific sport in Bylaw 17 for these employment restrictions).

12.5 PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

12.5.1 Permissible

12.5.1.1 Institutional, Charitable, Educational or Nonprofit Promotions. A member institution or rec-

ognized entity thereof (e.g., fraternity, sorority or student government organization), a member conference or a noninstitutional charitable, educational or nonprofit agency may use a student-athlete's name, picture or appearance to support its charitable or educational activities or to support activities considered incidental to the student-athlete's participation in intercollegiate athletics, provided the following conditions are met: (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/91, 1/10/92*)

- (a) The student-athlete receives written approval to participate from the director of athletics, subject to the limitations on participants in such activities as set forth in Bylaw 17; (*Revised: 1/11/89*)
- (b) The specific activity or project in which the student-athlete participates does not involve cosponsorship, advertisement or promotion by a commercial agency other than through the reproduction of the sponsoring company's officially registered regular trademark or logo on printed materials such as pictures, posters or calendars. The company's emblem, name, address and telephone number may be included with the trademark or logo. Personal names, messages and slogans (other than an officially registered trademark) are prohibited; (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/91*)
- (c) The name or picture of a student-athlete with remaining eligibility may not appear on an institution's printed promotional item (e.g., picture, poster, calendar) that includes a reproduction of a product with which a commercial entity is associated, if the commercial entity's officially registered regular trademark or logo also appears on the item; (*Adopted: 1/13/98*)
- (d) The student-athlete does not miss class; (*Revised: 1/11/89*)
- (e) All moneys derived from the activity or project go directly to the member institution, member conference or the charitable, educational or nonprofit agency; (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/92*)
- (f) The student-athlete may accept legitimate and normal expenses from the member institution, member conference or the charitable, educational or nonprofit agency related to participation in such activity, provided it occurs within the state or, if outside the state, within a 100-mile radius of the member institution's campus; (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/92*)
- (g) The student-athlete's name, picture or appearance is not used to promote the commercial ventures of any nonprofit agency; (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)
- (h) Any commercial items with names or pictures of student-athletes (other than highlight films or media guides per Bylaw 12.5.1.9) may be sold only at the member institution at which the student-athlete is enrolled, institutionally controlled (owned and operated) outlets or outlets controlled by the charitable or educational organization (e.g., location of the charitable or educational organization, site of charitable event during the event); and (*Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/9/96*)
- (i) The student-athlete and an authorized representative of the charitable, educational or nonprofit agency sign a release statement ensuring that the student-athlete's name, image or appearance is used in a manner consistent with the requirements of this section. (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/92*)

12.5.1.1.1 Exception—Expenses beyond 100 Miles. A student-athlete may receive legitimate and normal expenses to participate in promotional activities related to a competitive event regardless of the distance from the member institution's campus, provided the following conditions are satisfied: (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

- (a) The student-athlete has been selected to participate in the competition and such competition is included in Bylaw 14.7.5.1 (e.g., Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup and national team tryouts and competition);
- (b) The promotional activity occurs no more than one calendar year before the start of the competition; and
- (c) All conditions set forth in Bylaw 12.5.1.1 [other than Bylaw 12.5.1.1-(e)] are satisfied.

12.5.1.1.2 Promotions Involving Commercial Locations/Sponsors. A member institution or a charitable, educational or nonprofit organization may use the appearance, name or picture of an enrolled student-athlete to promote generally its fund-raising activities at the location of a commercial establishment, provided the commercial establishment is not a cosponsor of the event and the student-athlete does not promote the sale of a commercial product in conjunction with the fund-raising activity. A commercial establishment would become a cosponsor, if the commercial establishment either advertises the presence of the student-athlete at the commercial location or is involved directly or indirectly in promoting the activity. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

12.5.1.1.3 Player/Trading Cards. A member institution or recognized entity thereof (e.g., fraternity, sorority or student government organization), a member conference or a noninstitutional charitable, educational or nonprofit agency may distribute but may not sell player/trading cards that bear a student-athlete's name or picture. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94*)

12.5.1.1.3.1 Exception—Olympic/National Team. A national governing body may sell player/trading cards that bear the name or picture of a student-athlete who is a member of the

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Olympic/national team in that sport, provided all of the funds generated through the sale of such cards are deposited directly with the applicable Olympic/ national team. (*Adopted: 1/6/96*)

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12.5.1.1.4 Improper Use of Student-Athlete's Name or Picture. If an institution, without the student-athlete's knowledge or consent, uses or permits the use of the student-athlete's name or picture in a manner contrary to Bylaw 12.5.1.1, the violation shall be considered an institutional violation; however, the student-athlete's eligibility shall not be affected. (*Adopted: 1/14/97*)

12.5.1.2 United States Olympic Committee/National Governing Body Advertisement before Collegiate Enrollment. Before initial, full-time collegiate enrollment, an individual may receive payment for the display of athletics skill in a commercial advertisement, provided: (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

- (a) The individual receives prior approval to appear in the advertisement from the U.S. Olympic Committee or the applicable national governing body;
- (b) The U.S. Olympic Committee or national governing body approves of the content and the production of the advertisement;
- (c) The individual forwards the payment to the U.S. Olympic Committee or national governing body for the general use of the organization(s); and
- (d) The funds are not earmarked for the individual.

12.5.1.3 Continuation of Modeling and Other Nonathletically Related Promotional Activities after Enrollment. If an individual accepts remuneration for or permits the use of his or her name or picture to advertise or promote the sale or use of a commercial product or service before enrollment in a member institution, continued remuneration for the use of the individual's name or picture (under the same or similar circumstances) after enrollment is permitted without jeopardizing his or her eligibility to participate in intercollegiate athletics only if all of the following conditions apply: (*Revised: 1/14/97*)

- (a) The individual's involvement in this type of activity was initiated before his or her enrollment in a member institution;
- (b) The individual became involved in such activities for reasons independent of athletics ability;
- (c) No reference is made in these activities to the individual's name or involvement in intercollegiate athletics;
- (d) The individual does not endorse the commercial product;
- (e) Any compensation received by the individual is consistent with applicable limitations on a student-athlete's maximum amount of financial aid; and
- (f) The individual's remuneration under such circumstances is at a rate commensurate with the individual's skills and experience as a model or performer and is not based in any way on the individual's athletics ability or reputation.

12.5.1.4 Commercial Advertisement. It is permissible for a student-athlete's name or picture, or the group picture of an institution's athletics squad, to appear in an advertisement of a particular business, commercial product or service, provided:

- (a) The primary purpose of the advertisement is to publicize the sponsor's congratulations to the student-athlete or team;
- (b) The advertisement does not include a reproduction of the product with which the business is associated or any other item or description identifying the business or service other than its name or trademark;
- (c) There is no indication in the makeup or wording of the advertisement that the squad members, individually or collectively, or the institution endorses the product or service of the advertiser;
- (d) The student-athlete has not signed a consent or release granting permission to use the student-athlete's name or picture in a manner inconsistent with the requirements of this section; and
- (e) If the student-athlete has received a prize from a commercial sponsor in conjunction with participation in a member institution's promotional activities and the advertisement involves the announcement of receipt of the prize, the receipt of the prize is consistent with the provisions of Bylaw 12.5.2.3.3.

12.5.1.4.1 Schedule Cards. An advertisement on an institution's wallet-size playing schedule that includes the name or picture of a student-athlete may include language other than the commercial product's name, trademark or logo, provided the commercial language does not appear on the same page as the picture of the student-athlete. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

12.5.1.5 Distribution of Institutional Items through Commercial Outlets. A member institution may distribute noncommercial items (i.e., items not for sale) at commercial establishments, provided the institution generally distributes such items to other commercial establishments in the community and the distribution of the items does not require the recipient to make a purchase at the commercial establishment. (*Adopted: 1/16/93*)

12.5.1.6 Educational Products Related to Sport-Skill Instruction. It is permissible for a student-athlete's name or picture to appear in books, articles and other publications, films, videotapes, and other types of electronic reproduction related to sport-skill demonstration, analysis or instruction, provided:

- (a) Such print and electronic media productions are for educational purposes;
- (b) There is no indication that the student-athlete expressly or implicitly endorses a commercial product or service;
- (c) The student-athlete does not receive, under any circumstances, any remuneration or expenses for such participation; and
- (d) The student-athlete has signed a release statement ensuring that the student-athlete's name or image is used in a manner consistent with the requirements of this section and has filed a copy of the statement with the student-athlete's member institution.

12.5.1.7 Institutionally Sponsored Summer Camps. A member institution's summer camp may use the name or picture of any student-athlete employed as a counselor to publicize or promote the camp, including the use of the student-athlete's name or picture in camp brochures or other advertising.

12.5.1.8 Privately Owned Summer Camps. A privately owned summer camp may use a student-athlete's name, picture and institutional affiliation in its summer-camp brochure to identify the student-athlete as a staff member. However, a student-athlete's name or picture may not be used in any other way to directly advertise or promote the camp.

12.5.1.9 Promotion by Third Party of Highlight Film, Videotape or Media Guide. Any party other than the institution or a student-athlete (e.g., a distribution company) may sell and distribute an institutional highlight film or videotape or an institutional or conference media guide that contains the names and pictures of enrolled student-athletes only if: (*Revised: 1/16/93*)

- (a) The institution specifically designates any agency that is authorized to receive orders for the film, videotape or media guide; (*Revised: 1/16/93*)
- (b) Sales and distribution activities have the written approval of the institution's athletics director;
- (c) The distribution company or a retail store is precluded from using the name or picture of an enrolled student-athlete in any poster or other advertisement to promote the sale or distribution of the film or media guide; and (*Revised: 1/16/93*)
- (d) There is no indication in the makeup or wording of the advertisement that the squad members, individually or collectively, or the institution endorses the product or services of the advertiser.

12.5.1.10 Promotion of NCAA and Conference Championships. A student-athlete's name or picture may appear in a poster that promotes an NCAA championship or a conference championship, provided the poster is produced by a member institution that hosts a portion of the championship or by the NCAA or the conference. (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)

12.5.1.11 Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup and World University Games. A student-athlete's name or picture may be used to promote Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup or World University Games as specified in this section. (*Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

12.5.1.11.1 Sale and Distribution of Promotional Items. Promotional items (e.g., posters, postcards, film, videotapes) bearing the name or picture of a student-athlete and related to these events may be sold or distributed by the national or international sports governing body sponsoring these events or its designated third-party distributors. It is not permissible for such organizations to sell player/trading cards that bear a student-athlete's name or picture. Promotional items may include a corporate sponsor's trademark or logo but not a reproduction of the product with which the business is associated. The name or picture of the student-athlete may not be used by the distribution company or retail store on any advertisement to promote the sale or distribution of the commercial item. (*Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94*)

12.5.1.11.1.1 Corporate Sponsors. A corporate sponsor may sell a promotional item related to these events that uses the name or picture of a team but not an individual student-athlete. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

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12.5.2 Nonpermissible

12.5.2.1 Advertisements and Promotions after Enrollment. After becoming a student-athlete, an individual shall not be eligible for participation in intercollegiate athletics, if the individual:

- (a) Accepts any remuneration for or permits the use of his or her name or picture to advertise, recommend or promote directly the sale or use of a commercial product or service of any kind; or
- (b) Receives remuneration for endorsing a commercial product or service through the individual's use of such product or service.

12.5.2.1.1 Exceptions. The individual's eligibility will not be affected, provided the individual participated in such activities before enrollment and the individual:

- (a) Meets the conditions set forth in Bylaw 12.5.1.3 that would permit continuation of such activities; or
- (b) Takes appropriate steps upon becoming a student-athlete to retract permission for the use of his or her name or picture and ceases receipt of any remuneration for such an arrangement.

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12.5.2.1.2 Improper Use of Student-Athlete's Name or Picture. If an institution, without the student-athlete's knowledge or consent, uses or permits the use of the student-athlete's name or picture in a manner contrary to Bylaw 12.5.2.1, the violation shall be considered an institutional violation; however, the student-athlete's eligibility shall not be affected. (*Adopted: 1/14/97*)

12.5.2.2 Use of a Student-Athlete's Name or Picture without Knowledge or Permission. If a student-athlete's name or picture appears on commercial items (e.g., T-shirts, sweatshirts, serving trays, playing cards, posters, photographs) or is used to promote a commercial product sold by an individual or agency without the student-athlete's knowledge or permission, the student-athlete (or the institution acting on behalf of the student-athlete) is required to take steps to stop such an activity in order to retain his or her eligibility for intercollegiate athletics. (*Revised: 1/11/97 effective 8/1/97*)

12.5.2.3 Specifically Restricted Activities. A student-athlete's involvement in promotional activities specified in this section is prohibited.

12.5.2.3.1 Name-the-Player Contest. A student-athlete may not permit use of his or her name or picture in a "name-the-player" contest conducted by a commercial business for the purpose of promoting that business.

12.5.2.3.2 Athletics Equipment Advertisement. A student-athlete's name or picture may not be used by an athletics equipment company or manufacturer to publicize the fact that the institution's team uses its equipment.

12.5.2.3.3 Promotional Contests. Receipt of a prize for winning a promotional activity (e.g., making a half-court basketball shot, being involved in a money scramble) held in conjunction with a member institution's intercollegiate competition by a prospective or enrolled student-athlete (or a member of his or her family) does not affect a student-athlete's eligibility, provided the prize is won through a random drawing in which all members of the general public or the student body are eligible to participate. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

12.5.2.3.4 Appearance in Commercial Films. Footage of an institution's intercollegiate game or event or of the individual performance of a student-athlete may not be used in a commercial movie unless all individuals appearing in the footage have exhausted their seasons of eligibility.

12.5.3 Media Activities

- (a) **During the Playing Season.** During the playing season, a student-athlete may appear on local radio and television programs (e.g., coaches shows) or engage in writing projects when the student-athlete's appearance or participation is related in any way to athletics ability or prestige, provided the student-athlete does not receive any remuneration for the appearance or participation in the activity. The student-athlete shall not make any endorsement, expressed or implied, of any commercial product or service. The student-athlete may, however, receive legitimate and normal expenses directly related to the appearance or participation in the activity, provided it occurs within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus. The institution also may provide such expenses for a student-athlete to appear on radio or television in the general locale of an institution's away-from-home competition. (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- (b) **Outside the Playing Season.** Outside the playing season, a student-athlete may participate in media activities (e.g., appearance on radio, television, in films or stage productions or participation in writing projects) when such appearance or participation is related in any way to athletics ability or prestige, provided the student-athlete is eligible academically to represent the institution and does not receive any remuneration for such appearance or participation. The student-athlete may not make any endorsement, expressed or implied, of any commercial product or service. The student-athlete may,

however, receive legitimate and normal expenses directly related to such appearance or participation, provided the source of the expenses is the entity sponsoring the activity. (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

12.5.3.1 Writing Activities for a Commercial Entity. It is not permissible for a student-athlete to write a column in a newsletter produced by a commercial company. (*Adopted: 4/15/98*)

12.5.4 Use of Logos on Equipment, Uniforms and Apparel. A student-athlete may use athletics equipment or wear athletics apparel that bears the trademark or logo of an athletics equipment or apparel manufacturer or distributor in athletics competition and pre- and postgame activities (e.g., celebrations on the court, pre- or postgame press conferences), provided the following criteria are met. (Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility): (*Revised: 1/11/94, 1/10/95, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

- (a) Athletics equipment (e.g., shoes, helmets, baseball bats and gloves, batting or golf gloves, hockey and lacrosse sticks, goggles and skis) shall bear only the manufacturer's normal label or trademark, as it is used on all such items for sale to the general public; and (*Revised: 1/10/95*)
- (b) The student-athlete's institution's official uniform (including numbered racing bibs and warm-ups) and all other items of apparel (e.g., socks, head bands, T-shirts, wrist bands, visors or hats, swim caps and towels) shall bear only a single manufacturer's or distributor's normal label or trademark (regardless of the visibility of the label or trademark), not to exceed $2\frac{1}{4}$ square inches in area (i.e., rectangle, square, parallelogram) including any additional material (e.g., patch) surrounding the normal trademark or logo. (*Revised: 1/11/94, 1/10/95*)

12.5.4.1 Laundry Label. If an institution's uniform or any item of apparel worn by a student-athlete in competition contains washing instructions on the outside of the apparel on a patch that also includes the manufacturer's or distributor's logo or trademark, the entire patch must be contained within a four-sided geometrical figure (i.e., rectangle, square, parallelogram) that does not exceed $2\frac{1}{4}$ square inches. (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

12.5.4.2 Pre- or Postgame Activities. The restriction on the size of a manufacturer's or distributor's logo is applicable to all apparel worn by student-athletes during the conduct of the institution's competition, which includes any pre- or postgame activities (e.g., postgame celebrations on the court, pre- or postgame press conferences) involving student-athletes. (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

12.5.4.3 Outside Team Uniforms and Apparel. The provisions of Bylaw 12.5.5-(b) do not apply to the official uniforms and apparel worn by outside teams.

12.5.4.4 Title-Sponsor Recognition. Racing bibs and similar competition identification materials (e.g., bowl-game patches) worn by participants may include the name of the corporate sponsor of the competition, provided the involved commercial company is the sole title sponsor of the competition.

12.6 FINANCIAL DONATIONS FROM OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS

12.6.1 Professional Sports Organizations

12.6.1.1 To Noncollegiate Amateur Team. A noncollegiate amateur team or playing league shall not be considered a professional team or league, even if it receives financial support from a national amateur sports administrative organization or its equivalent that in turn receives developmental funds from a professional team or professional sports organization.

12.6.1.2 To Collegiate Event. A professional sports organization may not serve as a financial sponsor of collegiate competition without jeopardizing the eligibility of student-athletes (see Bylaw 12.1.1) competing in that event. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

12.6.1.3 Developmental Funds to NCAA. A professional sports organization may provide funds for intercollegiate athletics developmental purposes in a particular sport (e.g., officiating expenses, research and educational projects, the conduct of summer leagues, purchase of equipment). However, such funds shall be provided in an unrestricted manner and administered through the Association's national office.

12.6.1.4 To Institution, Permissible. A member institution may receive funds from a professional sports organization, provided:

- (a) The money is placed in the institution's general fund and used for purposes other than athletics; or
- (b) The money is placed in the institution's general scholarship fund and commingled with funds for the assistance of all students generally.

12.6.1.5 To Institution, Nonpermissible. A member institution shall not accept funds from a professional sports organization, if:

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- (a) The funds are for the purpose of recognizing the development of a former student-athlete in a particular sport. The receipt of such funds by an institution would make additional moneys available that could benefit student-athletes and thus result in student-athletes indirectly receiving funds from a professional sports organization;
- (b) The money, even though not earmarked by the donor, is received and credited to institutional funds for the financial assistance of student-athletes generally; or
- (c) The money is placed in the institution's general fund and credited to the athletics department for an unspecified purpose.

12.6.1.6 Revenues Derived from Pro-Am Events. The distribution of revenues from an event involving an intercollegiate athletics team and a professional sports team (e.g., a baseball game in which a member institution's team plays against a professional baseball team) or pro-am event (e.g., golf, tennis) that results in a member institution's receiving a share of receipts from such a contest is permitted, provided the institution has a formal agreement with the professional sports team regarding the institution's guarantee or share of receipts and the contractual terms are consistent with agreements made by the professional team or individuals for similar collegiate or nonprofessional competition.

12.6.1.7 Promotion of Professional Athletics Contests. A member institution may host and promote an athletics contest between two professional teams from recognized professional sports leagues as a fund-raising activity for the institution. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

12.6.1.8 Youth Teams. An individual may participate on a youth team, including a team consisting of prospects, sponsored by a professional sports team or organization without jeopardizing intercollegiate eligibility in that sport, provided the following conditions are met: (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

- (a) The youth team must otherwise be an amateur team; and
- (b) Sponsorship fees provided to the team are not earmarked for a particular individual.

12.6.2 Nonprofessional Sports Organizations

12.6.2.1 Individual Athletics Performance. A member institution shall not accept funds donated from a nonprofessional sports organization based on the place finish of a student-athlete or the number of student-athletes representing the institution in an event. However, the organization may donate an equal amount of funds to every institution with an athlete or team participating in a particular event.

12.6.2.2 Team Rankings. A member institution may accept funds donated to its athletics program from a nonprofessional sports organization based on the team's national or regional ranking.

12.6.2.3 Academic Performance. A member institution may accept funds donated to its athletics program from a nonprofessional sports organization based on an individual's or a team's academic performance (e.g., the number of academic all-American award recipients).

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13.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

13.01.1 Eligibility Effects of Recruiting Violation. The recruitment of a student-athlete by a member institution or any representative of its athletics interests in violation of the Association's legislation, as acknowledged by the institution or established through the Association's enforcement procedures, shall result in the student-athlete's becoming ineligible to represent that institution in intercollegiate athletics. The Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee may restore the eligibility of a student involved in such a violation only when circumstances clearly warrant restoration. A student is responsible for his or her involvement in a violation of NCAA regulations during the student's recruitment and involvement in a major violation (see Bylaw 19.02.2.2) may cause the student to become permanently ineligible for intercollegiate athletics competition at that institution.

13.01.2 Entertainment. A member institution may provide entertainment (per Bylaw 13.5), at a scale comparable to that of normal student life and not excessive in nature, to a prospect and his or her parents (or legal guardians) or spouse only at the institution's campus (or, on an official visit, within 30 miles of the institution's campus). Entertainment of other relatives or friends of a prospect at any site is prohibited.

13.01.3 Institutional Responsibility in Recruitment. A member of an institution's athletics staff or a representative of its athletics interests shall not recruit a prospect except as permitted by this Association, the institution and the member conference, if any.

13.01.4 Off-Campus Recruiting. In-person, off-campus recruiting is limited to authorized athletics department staff members, and limitations may be placed on the number of staff members who are permitted to recruit off campus.

13.01.5 Recruiting by Representatives of Athletics Interests. Representatives of an institution's athletics interests (as defined in Bylaw 13.02.10) are prohibited from making in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts or telephone calls with a prospect or the prospect's relatives or legal guardians. On-campus contact is permitted, as are written communications. Recruiting contacts by representatives during a prospect's official visit are confined to campus and may not extend to the 30-mile radius permitted institutional staff members (see also Bylaw 13.1.3.4.2). *(Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00)*

13.01.6 Time Periods for Telephone Calls and Contacts. Telephone calls or in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts shall not be made with a prospect or a prospect's relatives or legal guardians before June 15 immediately preceding the prospect's senior year in high school. In football and basketball, such contacts are confined to specific contact periods. In all sports, time periods are established during which no on- or off-campus contacts are permitted (see Bylaw 30.11 and Figures 13-3 through 13-7). *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 7/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93, 1/11/94 effective 3/15/94, Revised: 1/10/95, 1/14/97 effective 5/1/97, Revised in I-AA: 10/28/97, Revised: 1/12/99, 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00)*

13.01.7 Compliance with Legislation for Emerging Sports. Beginning with the 1996-97 academic year, a member institution sponsoring an emerging sport for women (see Bylaw 20.02.5) shall comply fully in that program with all applicable recruiting legislation set forth in Bylaw 13, effective for student-athletes first entering the collegiate institution on or after August 1, 1996. *(Adopted: 1/10/95)*

13.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

13.02.1 Competition Site. The “competition site” is the facility in which athletics competition is actually conducted, including any dressing room or meeting facility used in conjunction with the competition.

13.02.2 Contact. A contact is any face-to-face encounter between a prospect or the prospect’s parents, relatives or legal guardian(s) and an institutional staff member or athletics representative during which any dialogue occurs in excess of an exchange of a greeting. Any such face-to-face encounter that is pre-arranged or that takes place on the grounds of the prospect’s educational institution or at the site of organized competition or practice involving the prospect or the prospect’s high-school, preparatory school, two-year college or all-star team shall be considered a contact, regardless of the conversation that occurs. *(Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94)*

13.02.3 Contact and Evaluation Periods

13.02.3.1 Contact Period. A contact period is that period of time when it is permissible for authorized athletics department staff members to make in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts and evaluations.

13.02.3.2 Evaluation Period. An evaluation period is that period of time when it is permissible for authorized athletics department staff members to be involved in off-campus activities designed to assess the academic qualifications and playing ability of prospects. No in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts shall be made with the prospect during an evaluation period.

13.02.3.3 Quiet Period. A quiet period is that period of time when it is permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts only on the member institution’s campus. No in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts or evaluations may be made during the quiet period.

13.02.3.4 Dead Period. A dead period is that period of time when it is not permissible to make in-person recruiting contacts or evaluations on or off the member institution’s campus or to permit official or unofficial visits by prospects to the institution’s campus. The provision of complimentary admissions to a prospect during a dead period is prohibited, except as provided in Bylaw 13.8.2.5 for a prospect who visits an institution as part of a group. During such a dead period, a coaching staff member may not serve as a speaker at or attend a meeting or banquet at which prospects are in attendance, except as provided in Bylaw 13.1.12, and may not visit the prospects’ educational institutions. It remains permissible, however, for an institutional staff member to write or telephone prospects during such a dead period. *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

13.02.4 Enrolled Student-Athlete. An enrolled student-athlete is an individual whose enrollment was solicited by a member of the athletics staff or other representative of athletics interests with a view toward the student’s ultimate participation in the intercollegiate athletics program. Any other student becomes a student-athlete only when the student reports for an intercollegiate squad that is under the jurisdiction of the athletics department.

13.02.4.1 Permissible Recruitment Activities for Enrolled Student-Athletes:

- (a) **Off-campus contacts.** Off-campus, in-person recruiting contacts that are unavoidable incidental contacts between enrolled student-athletes (or other enrolled students) and a prospect are permissible if such contacts do not occur at the direction of a coaching staff member.
- (b) **Telephone contact.** It is permissible for an enrolled student-athlete to receive telephone calls made at the expense of a prospect after July 1 after the completion of the prospect’s junior year in high school. Telephone calls made by enrolled students in accordance with an institution’s regular admissions program directed at all prospective students shall be permissible.
- (c) **Written correspondence.** It is permissible for an enrolled student-athlete to engage in written correspondence, provided it is not done at the direction and/or expense of the member institution. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*
- (d) **Unavoidable incidental contact.** If unavoidable incidental contact occurs between a student-athlete and a prospect (even at the prospect’s high school), such contact is permissible, provided the institution had no prior knowledge of the occurrence of the contact.
- (e) **Official visits.** An enrolled student-athlete may participate as a student host during a prospect’s official visit to the institution’s campus. As a student host, a student-athlete may receive the following:
 - (1) A maximum of \$30 for each day of the visit to cover all actual costs of entertaining the prospect (and the prospect’s parents, legal guardians or spouse), excluding the cost of meals and admission to campus athletics events. These funds may not be used for the purchase of souvenirs such as T-shirts or other institutional mementos. It is permissible to provide the student host with an additional \$15 per day for each additional prospect the host entertains. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

In the event that several students host a prospect, the \$30 per day entertainment money may be utilized to cover the actual and necessary expenses incurred by the prospect and all hosts. Only one student host per prospect may be provided a free meal, if restaurant facilities are used;

- (2) A complimentary meal, provided the student host is accompanying the prospect during the prospect's official visit; and
- (3) A complimentary admission to a campus athletics event, provided the admission is used to accompany a prospect to that event during the prospect's official visit.
- (f) **Unofficial visits.** A prospect on an unofficial visit may stay in an enrolled student-athlete's dormitory room, provided the prospect pays the regular institutional rate for such lodging.

13.02.4.2 Impermissible Recruitment Activities for Enrolled Student-Athletes:

- (a) **Recruitment expenses.** An institution may not provide an enrolled student-athlete with transportation or expenses to recruit a prospect except those expenses specified as permissible when a student-athlete serves as a student host.
- (b) **Telephone calls.** Enrolled student-athletes or other enrolled students shall not make or participate in telephone calls to prospects at the direction of a coaching staff member or financed by the institution or a representative of its athletics interests.
- (c) **Transportation.** A student-athlete acting as a student host shall not be provided an automobile by the institution or representatives of its athletics interests for use by the host or the prospect during a prospect's official visit to the campus.
- (d) **Student host.** A student-athlete serving as a student host must be enrolled in the member institution being visited by the prospect. A nonqualifier (see Bylaw 14.02.9) may not serve as a student host during his or her first academic year of residence.

13.02.5 Evaluation. Evaluation is any off-campus activity designed to assess the academic qualifications or athletics ability of a prospect, including any visit to a prospect's educational institution (during which no contact occurs) or the observation of any practice or competition at any site at which the prospect participates. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

13.02.6 Home. In general, a prospect's "home" is the prospect's legal residence, or the community of the educational institution in which the prospect is enrolled while residing there.

13.02.7 National Letter of Intent. The National Letter of Intent referred to in this bylaw is the official document administered by the Collegiate Commissioners Association and used by subscribing member institutions to establish the commitment of a prospect to attend a particular institution.

13.02.8 Prospective Student-Athlete. A prospective student-athlete ("prospect") is a student who has started classes for the ninth grade. In addition, a student who has not started classes for the ninth grade becomes a prospective student-athlete, if the institution provides such an individual (or the individual's relatives or friends) any financial assistance or other benefits that the institution does not provide to prospective students generally. An individual remains a prospective student-athlete until one of the following occurs (whichever occurs earlier): (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/90*)

- (a) The individual officially registers and enrolls in a minimum full-time program of studies and attends classes in any term of a four-year collegiate institution's regular academic year (excluding summer); or
- (b) The individual participates in a regular-squad practice or competition at a four-year collegiate institution.

13.02.9 Recruiting. Recruiting is any solicitation of a prospect or a prospect's relatives [or legal guardian(s)] by an institutional staff member or by a representative of the institution's athletics interests for the purpose of securing the prospect's enrollment and ultimate participation in the institution's inter-collegiate athletics program.

13.02.9.1 Recruited Prospective Student-Athlete. Actions by staff members or athletics representatives that cause a prospective student-athlete to become a recruited prospective student-athlete at that institution are: (*Revised: 1/10/90, 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94 for those students entering a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/94*)

- (a) Providing the prospect with an official visit; (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94 for those students entering a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/94*)
- (b) Having an arranged, in-person, off-campus encounter with the prospect or the prospect's parent(s), relatives or legal guardian(s); or (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94 for those students entering a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/94*)
- (c) Initiating or arranging a telephone contact with the prospect, the prospect's relatives or legal

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guardian(s) on more than one occasion for the purpose of recruitment. *(Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94 for those students entering a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/94)*

13.02.10 Representative of Athletics Interests. A “representative of the institution’s athletics interests” is an individual who is known (or who should have been known) by a member of the institution’s executive or athletics administration to:

- (a) Have participated in or to be a member of an agency or organization promoting the institution’s inter-collegiate athletics program;
- (b) Have made financial contributions to the athletics department or to an athletics booster organization of that institution;
- (c) Be assisting or to have been requested (by the athletics department staff) to assist in the recruitment of prospects;
- (d) Be assisting or to have assisted in providing benefits to enrolled student-athletes or their families; or
- (e) Have been involved otherwise in promoting the institution’s athletics program.

13.02.10.1 Once an individual is identified as such a representative, the person retains that identity indefinitely.

13.02.11 Telephone Calls. Facsimiles and other electronically transmitted correspondence shall not be considered telephone calls. *(Adopted: 1/10/95, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97)*

13.02.12 Visits by Prospects

13.02.12.1 Official Visit. An official visit to a member institution by a prospective student-athlete is a visit financed in whole or in part by the member institution.

13.02.12.2 Unofficial Visit. An unofficial visit to a member institution by a prospective student-athlete is a visit made at the prospect’s own expense. The provision of any expenses or entertainment by the institution or representatives of its athletics interests shall require the visit to become an official visit, except for expenses or entertainment permitted per Bylaw 13.8.2.

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Recruiting contacts (per Bylaw 13.02.2) and telephone calls with a prospect (or the prospect’s relatives or legal guardians) by institutional staff members and/or representatives of the institution’s athletics interests are subject to the provisions set forth in this bylaw. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 7/1/91)*

13.1.1 Contactable Prospects

13.1.1.1 High-School Prospects. Telephone calls or in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts shall not be made with a prospect or a prospect’s relatives or legal guardians before June 15 immediately preceding the prospect’s senior year in high school. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 7/1/91, Revised: 1/11/94 effective 3/15/94, Revised: 1/10/95, 1/14/97, Revised in I-AA: 10/28/97, Revised: 1/12/99, 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00)*

13.1.1.2 Four-Year College Prospects. An athletics staff member or other representative of the institution’s athletics interests shall not make contact with the student-athlete of another four-year collegiate institution, directly or indirectly, without first obtaining the written permission of the first institution’s athletics director (or an athletics administrator designated by the athletics director) to do so, regardless of who makes the initial contact. If permission is not granted, the second institution shall not encourage the transfer and shall not provide financial assistance to the student-athlete until the student-athlete has attended the second institution for one academic year. If permission is granted to contact the student-athlete, all applicable NCAA recruiting rules apply. *(Revised: 1/10/91, 1/16/93, 1/11/94)*

13.1.1.2.1 Hearing Opportunity. If the institution decides to deny a student-athlete’s request to permit any other institution to contact the student-athlete about transferring, the institution shall inform the student-athlete in writing that he or she, on request, shall be provided a hearing conducted by an institutional entity or committee outside of the athletics department (e.g., the office of student affairs; office of the dean of students; or a committee composed of the faculty athletics representative, student-athletes and nonathletics faculty/staff members). The institution shall have established reasonable procedures for promptly hearing such a request. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

13.1.1.2.2 Student-Athlete Withdrawn from Four-Year College. A member institution may contact a student-athlete who has withdrawn officially from a four-year collegiate institution without obtaining permission from the first institution only if at least one academic year has elapsed since the withdrawal.

13.1.1.2.3 Transfer from Institution on Probation. It is not necessary for an institution to obtain

permission in writing to recruit a student-athlete at an institution that has been placed on probation with sanctions that preclude it from competing in postseason competition during the remaining seasons of the student-athlete's eligibility. However, the student-athlete's institution must be notified of the recruitment and may establish reasonable restrictions related to the contact (e.g., no visits during class time), provided such restrictions do not preclude the opportunity for the student-athlete to discuss transfer possibilities with the other institution [see also Bylaw 14.8.1.2-(c)]. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

13.1.1.2.4 Transfer While Ineligible Due to Positive Drug Test. If a student-athlete who is declared ineligible due to a positive drug test administered by the NCAA transfers to another NCAA institution, the institution from which the student-athlete transferred must notify the new institution of the student-athlete's ineligibility (see Bylaw 18.4.1.5.1). *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

13.1.2 Permissible Recruiters

13.1.2.1 Authorized Staff Members. All in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts with a prospect or the prospect's relatives or legal guardian(s) shall be made only by authorized athletics department staff members. Such off-campus contact by representatives of an institution's athletics interests is prohibited.

13.1.2.1.1 Off-Campus Recruiters. An institutional staff member is not permitted to recruit off campus until he or she has been certified on an annual basis as to knowledge of applicable recruiting rules per Bylaw 11.5.1.1. *(Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/93)*

13.1.2.2 General Exceptions. This regulation is not applicable to:

- (a) **Admissions Program.** Off-campus recruiting contacts made by an institution's regular admissions program representative and directed at all prospective students including nonathletes.
- (b) **Coach Who Is Prospect's Parent or Legal Guardian.** Recruiting contact and evaluation limitations do not apply to a coaching staff member who is the parent (or legal guardian) of a participant in any activity being observed (e.g., practices, contests or camps), provided the attendance by the coaching staff member at such activity does not involve any personal contact with any other participating prospect. *(Revised: 1/10/95, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
- (c) **Spouse of Prospect's Coach.** Recruiting contact and evaluation limitations do not apply to a coaching staff member observing a contest that involves prospective student-athletes coached by his or her spouse, provided the attendance by the coaching staff member at such a contest does not involve any personal contact with any prospect participating in the contest. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
- (d) **Established Family Friend/Neighbor.** Contacts made with a prospect by an established family friend or neighbor, it being understood that such contacts are not made for recruiting purposes and are not initiated by a member of an institution's coaching staff.
- (e) **Spouse of Staff Member**
 - (1) **On Campus.** A spouse of an institutional staff member on campus.
 - (2) **Off Campus during Official Visit.** A spouse of an athletics department staff member during a prospect's official visit and within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus during the prospect's official visit.
- (f) **Interpreter.** An interpreter present during an institution's in-person, off-campus contact with a prospect or the prospect's parent(s) [or legal guardian(s)], provided that if the institution is involved in making the arrangements for the use of the interpreter, the interpreter must be a faculty member or a professional interpreter. It is not permissible for the interpreter to be an enrolled student-athlete, a family member of an enrolled student-athlete or a representative of the institution's athletics interests. *(Adopted: 1/11/97)*
- (g) **Unavoidable Incidental Contact.** An unavoidable incidental contact made with a prospect by representatives of the institution's athletics interests, provided the contact is not prearranged by the representative or an athletics department staff member, does not take place on the grounds of the prospect's educational institution or at the sites of organized competition and practice involving the prospect or the prospect's team (i.e., high-school, preparatory school, two-year college or all-star team), is not made for the purpose of recruitment of the prospect, and involves only normal civility.
- (h) **Permissible Preenrollment Activities.** Contacts between a prospect and an athletics representative regarding permissible preenrollment activities (e.g., a discussion of summer-employment arrangements that occurs after the prospect's signing of the National Letter of Intent).

13.1.2.3 Other Restrictions, Athletics Representatives. The following are additional restrictions that apply to athletics representatives:

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- (a) **Observing Prospect's Contest.** An athletics representative may view a prospect's athletics contest on his or her own initiative, subject to the understanding that the athletics representative may not contact the prospect on such occasions;
- (b) **Evaluation of Prospect.** An athletics representative may not contact a prospect's coach, principal or counselor in an attempt to evaluate the prospect; and
- (c) **Visiting Prospect's Institution.** An athletics representative may not visit a prospect's educational institution to pick up film/videotape or transcripts pertaining to the evaluation of the prospect's academic eligibility or athletics ability.

13.1.2.4 Student-Athlete. An institution may not provide an enrolled student-athlete with transportation or expenses to recruit a prospect except those expenses specified in Bylaw 13.7.5.5 when the student-athlete serves as a student host.

13.1.2.5 Talent Scout. An institution may not pay any costs incurred by an athletics talent scout or a representative of its athletics interests in studying or recruiting prospects. An institution may not provide any such person a fee or honorarium and thereby claim the person as a staff member entitled to expense money.

13.1.2.5.1 Employment Prohibition. An institution may not employ an individual for the primary purpose of recruiting or evaluating prospects and designate the individual as a coach, if he or she does not reside in the institution's general locale. Such an individual would be considered an athletics talent scout rather than a regular institutional staff member.

13.1.2.5.2 Expense Prohibition. An institution may not pay expenses (other than meals provided in the institution's home community) for representatives of its athletics interests to visit its campus for the purpose of becoming familiar with the institution's academic and athletics programs and campus facilities in order to represent the institution better when recruiting prospects. The provision of such expenses would be considered payment of costs incurred by athletics talent scouts.

13.1.3 Telephone Calls to Prospects

13.1.3.1 Time Period for Telephone Calls—General Rule. Telephone calls to a prospect [or the prospect's relatives or legal guardian(s)] may not be made before June 15 immediately preceding the prospect's senior year in high school; thereafter, staff members shall not make such telephone calls more than once per week. If more than one call per week occurs due to a scheduled official paid visit that subsequently is canceled by the prospect, the violation shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1; however, it shall not affect the prospect's eligibility. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 7/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised in I-AA: 4/22/98, Revised in Division II: 1/12/99, 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00)*

13.1.3.1.1 Exception—Football. In the sport of football during a contact period, telephone contact may be made at the institution's discretion. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 7/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93, 1/11/94 effective 3/15/94, Revised: 1/10/95, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised in I-AA: 4/22/98, Revised in Division II: 1/12/99, 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00)*

13.1.3.2 Additional Regulations

13.1.3.2.1 During Conduct of Athletics Contest. Telephone calls to a prospect [or the prospect's relatives or legal guardian(s)] may not be made during the conduct of any of the institution's inter-collegiate athletics contests in that sport until the competition has concluded and the team has been dismissed by the coach. *(Revised: 1/16/93, 1/9/96)*

13.1.3.2.2 Telephone Calls Initiated by Prospect at Prospect's Expense. Institutional staff members may receive telephone calls placed by a prospect at the prospect's own expense at any time, including before June 15 immediately preceding the prospect's senior year in high school. *(Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/10/95, 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00)*

13.1.3.3 Exceptions

13.1.3.3.1 Official-Visit Exception. Institutional staff members may make unlimited telephone calls to a prospect during the five days immediately before the prospect's official visit (per Bylaw 13.7) to that institution. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

13.1.3.3.2 Letter-of-Intent Signing-Date Exception. Institutional staff members may make unlimited telephone calls to a prospect on the initial date for the signing of the National Letter of Intent and during the two days immediately after the initial signing date. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

13.1.3.3.3 Telephone Calls after National Letter-of-Intent Signing or Other Written Commitment. After the calendar day on which a prospect signs a National Letter of Intent, there shall be no limit on the number of telephone calls by the institution with which the prospect has signed. For an institution not using the National Letter of Intent in a particular sport, there shall be no limit on

the number of telephone calls to a prospect, the prospect's relatives or legal guardian(s) by that institution after the calendar day in which the prospect signs acceptance of the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid. (*Adopted: 2/9/95, Revised: 1/13/98*)

13.1.3.3.4 Off-Campus Contact Exception. Institutional staff members may make unlimited telephone calls to a prospect on the day a permissible, in-person, off-campus contact occurs. (*Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/16/93*)

13.1.3.4 Permissible Callers

13.1.3.4.1 Institutional Staff Members. In all sports, institutional staff members may make telephone calls to a prospect [or the prospect's parents or legal guardian(s)] in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw. (*Revised: 1/10/95, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

13.1.3.4.2 Representatives of Athletics Interests. It is not permissible for an athletics representative (as defined in Bylaw 13.02.10) to make telephone calls to a prospect. (*Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

13.1.3.5 Nonpermissible Callers

13.1.3.5.1 Enrolled Students and Student-Athletes. Enrolled student-athletes or other enrolled students shall not make or participate in telephone calls to prospects at the direction of a coaching staff member or financed by the institution or a representative of its athletics interests; however, they may receive telephone calls at the expense of the prospect after July 1 after the completion of the prospect's junior year in high school. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 7/1/91*)

13.1.3.5.1.1 Admissions Program Exception. Telephone calls made by enrolled students in accordance with an institution's regular admissions program directed at all prospective students shall be permissible. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 7/1/91*)

13.1.3.6 Collect and Toll-Free Telephone Calls. Institutional staff members may accept collect telephone calls and may use a toll-free (800/888) number to receive telephone calls placed by prospects, prospects' parents or legal guardian(s) at any time. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

13.1.4 Recruiting Calendars. Recruiting calendars limiting contact and evaluation periods apply in the sports of basketball and football and also include recruiting dead periods in all sports in those divisions. The Management Council shall have the authority to establish in the Administrative Regulations (per Constitution 5.2.3.1) such calendars for sports. (See Bylaw 30.11 for a complete listing of the calendars in effect at the time of the publication of this Manual.)

See Figures 13-1 through 13-4, pages 99-101, for 2000-01 recruiting calendars.

13.1.4.1 Waiver of Contact Period. The Management Council shall have the authority, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, to waive provisions of the football and basketball contact periods for institutions with established admissions acceptance dates that occur after the normal contact deadline.

13.1.5 Visit to Prospect's Educational Institution—Division II. Visits to a prospect's educational institution that will occur during that portion of the day when classes are being conducted for all students must receive the approval of the executive officer (or the executive officer's designated representative) of the prospect's educational institution. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/14/97*)

13.1.6 Permissible Number of Contacts. Each institution shall be limited to not more than three in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts per prospect at any site [which shall include contacts made with the prospect's relatives or legal guardian(s) but shall not include contacts made during an official visit per Bylaw 13.7]. (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

13.1.6.1 On Same Day. Any number of contacts made during the same day (defined as 12:01 a.m. to midnight) shall count as one contact. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

13.1.6.2 Letter-of-Intent Signing. Any in-person, off-campus contact made with a prospect for the purpose of signing a letter of intent or other commitment to attend the institution or attendance at activities related to the signing of a letter of intent or other commitment to attend the institution shall be prohibited. (*Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95*)

13.1.6.2.1 Delivery of Letter of Intent. In-person, off-campus delivery of a letter of intent by an institutional staff member shall be prohibited. The letter may be delivered by express mail, courier service, regular mail or facsimile machine. (*Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95*)

13.1.6.3 Contacts after National Letter-of-Intent Signing or Other Written Commitment. After the

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calendar day on which a prospect signs a National Letter of Intent, there shall be no limit on the number of contacts by the institution with which the prospect has signed. For an institution not using the National Letter of Intent in a particular sport, there shall be no limit on the number of contacts with the prospect, the prospect's relatives or legal guardian(s) by that institution after the calendar day of the prospect's signed acceptance of the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid. However, the following conditions continue to apply. (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/11/94*)

- (a) No in-person, off-campus contact may be made by a representative of the institution's athletics interests, except those involving permissible preenrollment activities (e.g., a discussion of summer employment arrangements); and
- (b) Contact at the site of a prospect's competition shall continue to be governed by the provisions of Bylaw 13.1.7.2, except that contact with the prospect's relatives or legal guardians at the site of the prospect's competition shall be permitted. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

13.1.6.3.1 Effect of Violation. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

13.1.6.4 Post-High-School Contacts. The contact limitations apply to the period in which the prospect is enrolled in high school and the period beginning September 1 after the prospect's completion of high school. (*Revised: 1/10/90*)

13.1.7 Contact Restrictions at Specified Sites

13.1.7.1 Prospect's Educational Institution. Any staff member desiring to contact a prospect at the prospect's high school, college preparatory school or two-year college first shall obtain permission for such contact from that institution's executive officer (or the executive officer's authorized representative). Contact may be made only when such permission is granted. Member institutions also are bound by this provision when recruiting foreign athletes.

13.1.7.2 Practice or Competition Site. Recruiting contact may not be made with a prospect before any athletics competition in which the prospect is a participant during the day or days of competition, even if the prospect is on an official or unofficial visit. Such contact includes the passing of notes to a prospect by a third party on behalf of an institutional staff member. In all divisions, such contact shall be governed by the following: (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/91, 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 7/1/96*)

- (a) Contact shall not be made with the prospect at any site before the contest on the day or days of competition; (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/11/94*)
- (b) Contact shall not be made with the prospect from the time the prospect reports on call (at the direction of the prospect's coach or comparable authority) and becomes involved in competition-related activity (e.g., traveling to an away-from-home game) to the end of the competition even if such competition-related activities are initiated before the day or days of competition; (*Revised: 1/11/94*)
- (c) Contact shall not be made after the competition until the prospect is released by the appropriate institutional authority and departs the dressing and meeting facility; and
- (d) Contact shall not be made with the prospect involved in competition that requires more than one day of participation (e.g., a basketball tournament) until after the prospect's final contest is completed and he or she is released by the appropriate institutional authority and leaves the dressing and meeting facility. (*Revised: 1/11/94*)

13.1.7.2.1 Approved Events. It is permissible for athletics staff members who are responsible for conducting an approved athletics event (see Bylaw 13.12.3) involving high-school students to come in normal contact with participants; however, under no circumstances may recruitment take place.

13.1.7.2.2 High-School All-Star Games. In-person contact with a prospect shall not be made on or off the member institution's campus at a high-school all-star game practice or competition site outside the permissible contact periods in the sports of football and basketball.

13.1.7.2.3 Bowl Games. During a dead period, attendance by a prospect at the site of an institution's bowl game practice session may occur only if the practice is open to the general public and the prospect observes the practice only from an area reserved for that purpose for the general public. No contact between the prospect and institutional staff members or representatives of the institution's athletics interests may occur. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

13.1.8 Limitations on Number of Evaluations—All Sports. There are no limitations on the number of evaluations an institution is allowed per prospect per academic year. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

13.1.9 Banquets and Meetings *(Adopted: 1/13/98)*

- (a) **All Sports Other Than Football or Basketball.** In sports other than football and basketball, the coach may speak at a meeting or banquet (except for dead periods per Bylaw 13.02.3.4) at a prospect's educational institution without using one of the institution's permissible contacts or evaluations, provided:
 - (1) The meeting or banquet is initiated and conducted by the educational institution;
 - (2) The coach does not make a recruiting presentation in conjunction with the appearance;
 - (3) The coach does not have any direct contact with any prospect (or the prospect's parents) in attendance; and
 - (4) The coach does not engage in any evaluation activities at the educational institution.
- (b) **Football and Basketball**
 - (1) **During a Contact Period.** In football and basketball, an institution's coaching staff member who speaks at a meeting or banquet at a prospect's educational institution during the contact period, uses an evaluation for each prospect in the coach's sport. The coach does not use a contact, provided he or she does not make a recruiting presentation in conjunction with the appearance and has no direct contact with any prospect (or the prospect's parents) in attendance.
 - (2) **Outside a Contact Period.** A member of the basketball or football coaching staff may speak at a meeting or banquet outside the recruiting contact periods (except for dead periods per Bylaw 13.02.3.4), provided:
 - (i) The coach does not make a recruiting presentation in conjunction with the appearance; and
 - (ii) The coach does not have direct contact with any prospect in attendance.

13.2 OFFERS AND INDUCEMENTS

13.2.1 General Regulation. An institution's staff member or any representative of its athletics interests shall not be involved, directly or indirectly, in making arrangements for or giving or offering to give any financial aid or other benefits to the prospect or the prospect's relatives or friends, other than expressly permitted by NCAA regulations. This prohibition shall apply regardless of whether similar financial aid, benefits or arrangements are available to prospective students in general, their relatives or friends. For violations of this bylaw in which the value of the offer or inducement is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the individual (i.e., prospective or enrolled student-athlete) shall not be affected conditioned on the individual repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The individual, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the individual repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the individual's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. *(Revised: 1/13/98)*

13.2.2 Specific Prohibitions. Specifically prohibited financial aid, benefits and arrangements include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) An employment arrangement for a prospect's relatives;
- (b) Gift of clothing or equipment;
- (c) Cosigning of loans;
- (d) Providing loans to a prospect's relatives or friends;
- (e) Cash or similar items;
- (f) Any tangible items, including merchandise;
- (g) Free or reduced-cost services, rentals or purchases of any type;
- (h) Free or reduced-cost housing;
- (i) Use of an institution's athletics equipment (e.g., for a high-school all-star game); or
- (j) Sponsorship of or arrangement for an awards banquet for high-school, preparatory school or two-year-college athletes by an institution, representatives of its athletics interests, or its alumni groups or booster clubs.

13.2.2.1 Eligibility Ramifications—Restitution for Receipt of Improper Benefits. For violations of Bylaw 13.2.2 in which the value of the offer or inducement is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the individual (i.e. prospective or enrolled student-athlete) shall not be affected conditioned on the individual repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The individual, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the individual repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per

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Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the individual's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. *(Adopted: 1/13/98)*

13.2.3 Awards to Prospects. A member institution is limited to providing the following awards to prospects: *(Adopted: 1/10/91)*

- (a) Awards to prospects for outstanding athletics accomplishments are prohibited, except as provided in (c) below;
- (b) Awards to high-school, preparatory school or two-year-college athletics teams in the name of an NCAA member institution are prohibited, regardless of the institution's involvement (or lack thereof) in the administration of the award; and
- (c) Any award presented at regularly scheduled high-school, preparatory school and two-year-college athletics contests or matches under the provisions of Bylaw 13.12.3.5 must be limited in value to \$50 but may bear the institution's name and logo.

13.2.4 Employment of Prospects

13.2.4.1 After Senior Year. The arrangement of employment by an institution for a prospect shall be permitted, provided the employment does not begin before the completion of the prospect's senior year in high school.

13.2.4.1.1 Two-Year-College Prospects. Once a prospect has enrolled as a full-time student in a two-year college, the arrangement of employment by an institution for such a prospect shall be permitted, provided the employment does not begin before the time period in which the prospect has officially withdrawn from or has completed requirements for graduation at the two-year college. *(Adopted: 1/11/00)*

13.2.4.2 Transportation to Summer Job. An institution or its representatives shall not provide a prospect free transportation to and from a summer job, unless it is the employer's established policy to transport all employees to and from the job site.

13.2.5 Loans to Prospects. Arrangement of educational loans by an institution for a prospect shall be permitted, provided the loan is not made before the completion of the prospect's senior year in high school. When permitted, such loans must be from a regular lending agency and based on a regular repayment schedule.

13.2.6 Summer Housing for Prospects. An institution may rent dormitory space to a prospect during the summer months at the regular institutional rate, provided it is the institution's policy to make such dormitory space available on the same basis to all prospective students.

13.2.7 Academic Support Services/Use of Training-Room Facilities. A prospect who has signed a National Letter of Intent and is enrolled in the institution's summer term before the student's initial, full-time collegiate enrollment may be provided academic support services by the institution and also may use the institution's training-room facilities. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

13.3 ADMISSIONS AND GRADUATION DATA

13.3.1 Disclosure Report—Divisions I and II

13.3.1.1 Report Publication. The Association's national office annually shall publish the admissions and graduation-rate data specified in Bylaw 30.1 and shall identify the information on an institution-specific basis. *(Adopted: 1/10/90 effective immediately for data collection, effective 10/1/91 for disclosure in Division I and 7/1/93 for disclosure in Division II)*

13.3.1.2 Report Distribution. Member institutions shall provide to prospects and to prospects' parents the information contained within the report. The NCAA shall provide a compilation of graduation data to the prospects' guidance offices and high-school and two-year college coaches. The information shall be provided at the earliest opportunity after the institution's first arranged in-person encounter with the prospect or on request; however, in no event shall an institution provide the information later than the day before a prospect's signed acceptance of the National Letter of Intent or signed acceptance of the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, the violation shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility. *(Adopted: 1/10/90 effective immediately for data collection, effective 10/1/91 for disclosure in Division I and 7/1/93 for disclosure in Division II, Revised: 1/10/92, 1/16/93, 1/11/00)*

13.4 RECRUITING MATERIALS

13.4.1 Printed Recruiting Materials. An institution may not provide recruiting materials to a prospect (including general correspondence related to athletics) until September 1 at the beginning of the

prospect's junior year in high school. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92, 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 7/1/96, Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

13.4.1.1 Exception—Permissible Date. An institution may provide educational information published by the NCAA (e.g., NCAA Guide for the College-Bound Student-Athlete), camp brochures and questionnaires to a prospect before September 1 at the beginning of the prospect's junior year in high school.

13.4.1.2 Responding to Prospect's Request. Institutional staff members (including athletics staff members) may respond to a prospect's letter requesting information from an institution's athletics department before September 1 at the beginning of the prospect's junior year in high school, provided the written response does not include information that would initiate the recruitment of the prospect or information related to the institution's athletics program (e.g., the reply contains an explanation of current NCAA legislation or a referral to the admissions department).

13.4.2 Video/Audio Materials. An institution may not produce video/audio materials to show or send to a prospect except as specified in Bylaw 13.4.2.1 and 13.4.2.2. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

13.4.2.1 Highlight Film/Videotape/Audio Tape. An institution may show a highlight film/videotape/audio tape to a prospect or the prospect's coach but may not send it to or leave it with the prospect or coach. Highlight films/videotapes/audio tapes are "game clips" that contain informational material that is related to a particular event or sports season. Any narration on the highlight film/videotape/audio tape must relate specifically to the event or sports season. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94*)

13.4.2.2 Videotapes/Audio Tapes (Nonathletics) Available to All Students. Official academic admissions and student-services videotapes/audio tapes produced by the institution and available to all students may be provided to prospects.

13.4.2.3 Electronic Information. An institution may produce and show electronically stored information about the institution to a prospect or the prospect's coach but may not send it or leave it with the prospect or coach. Information may include still photos and printed text that is electronically stored and delivered and relates directly to a particular institution and city. Further, the printed text shall cover only information pertaining to the institution's student services, academic admissions, catalog and campus life in addition to basic information pertaining to the immediate town/city where the institution is located. (*Adopted: 1/11/00*)

13.4.3 Conference Restrictions. A member conference is precluded from providing recruiting materials to prospects. (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94*)

13.4.4 Advertisements and Promotions

13.4.4.1 Recruiting Advertisements. The publication of advertising or promotional material, by or on behalf of a member institution, designed to solicit the enrollment of a prospective student-athlete is not permitted. Accordingly, a member institution may not buy or arrange to have space in game programs or other printed materials published to provide information concerning the athletics participation or evaluation of prospects (e.g., recruiting publications) for any purpose whatsoever, including advertisements, a listing of prospective or enrolled student-athletes who will attend the institution and informative materials related to the institution. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility. (*Revised: 1/13/98*)

13.4.4.1.1 Interview to Recruiting Publication. An institutional coaching staff member may not provide an interview for an article that will appear in a recruiting publication or newsletter. (*Adopted: 4/15/98*)

13.4.4.1.2 Summer-Camp Advertisements. Advertisements of an institution's summer camp or clinic in such recruiting publications are permissible if placed in a periodical (other than a high-school or two-year college game program) that includes a camp directory that meets the following requirements: (*Revised: 1/11/94*)

- (a) The size (not to exceed one-half page) and format of such advertisements must be identical; and
- (b) The camp directory must include multiple listings of summer camps on each page (i.e., at least two summer-camp advertisements of the same size must appear on each page).

13.4.4.2 Media Guides, Recruiting Brochures. A member institution may not develop a separate media guide or recruiting brochure to send to the media or alumni that does not meet the specification

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outlined in Bylaw 13.4.1. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility. (*Revised: 1/13/98*)

13.4.4.3 NCAA or Conference Championship Posters. An institution hosting an NCAA or conference championship may produce a poster promoting the championship and send it to a high-school coach and/or his or her educational institution. It is not permissible to send such a poster to a prospect. (*Adopted: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

13.4.4.4 Miscellaneous Promotions. Member institutions and their representatives of athletics interests are prohibited from financing, arranging or using recruiting aids (e.g., newspaper advertisements, bumper stickers, message buttons) designed to publicize the institution's interest in a particular prospect. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility. (*Revised: 1/13/98*)

13.5 ENTERTAINMENT

13.5.1 General Restrictions. An institution may entertain a prospect and his or her parents [or legal guardian(s)] or spouse at a scale comparable to that of normal student life, only on the institution's campus (or, on an official visit, within 30 miles of the institution's campus). It is not permissible to entertain other relatives or friends of a prospect at any site.

13.5.1.1 Athletics Representatives. Entertainment and contact by representatives of the institution's athletics interests during the official visit is confined to campus.

13.5.2 Excessive Entertainment. A member institution may not arrange or permit excessive entertainment of a prospect on the campus or elsewhere (e.g., hiring a band for a dance specifically for the entertainment of the prospect, a chauffeured limousine, a helicopter).

13.5.3 Purchase of Game Tickets. An institution may not reserve tickets for purchase by a prospect (or individuals accompanying the prospect) to attend one of its athletics contests except on an official visit (see Bylaw 13.7.5.2). Tickets may be purchased only in the same manner as any other member of the general public. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

13.5.4 Complimentary Admissions—Conference Tournaments. Conferences approved to host an NCAA YES clinic in conjunction with their conference championship may provide complimentary admissions to YES clinic participants to attend the conference championship. (*Adopted: 1/14/97*)

13.5.5 Professional Sports Tickets. Tickets to professional sports contests made available to a member institution on a complimentary basis may not be provided to prospects.

13.5.6 Alumni and Friends. An institution's staff member or a representative of its athletics interests may entertain alumni or other friends of the institution in the hometown of a prospect, provided those entertained are not friends of any particular prospect being recruited by the institution.

13.6 TRANSPORTATION

13.6.1 General Restrictions. An institution may not provide transportation to a prospect other than on the official paid visit or, on an unofficial visit, to view a practice or competition site and other institutional facilities (located within a 30-mile radius of the institution's campus) when accompanied by an institutional staff member. However, an institution may not provide transportation to attend one of the institution's home contests (on or off campus) during the unofficial visit. For violations of this bylaw in which the value of the offer or inducement is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the individual (i.e., prospective or enrolled student-athlete) shall not be affected conditioned on the individual repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The individual, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit, until the prospect repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the individual's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/13/98*)

13.6.1.1 Nonpermissible Transportation. If nonpermissible transportation is provided, the institution may not avoid a violation of this rule by receiving reimbursement for mileage from the prospect.

13.6.2 Transportation on Official Paid Visit

13.6.2.1 General Restrictions. A member institution may pay the prospect's actual round-trip transportation costs for his or her official visit to its campus, provided a direct route between the prospect's home and the institution's campus is used. Use of a limousine or helicopter for such transportation is prohibited.

13.6.2.2 Automobile Transportation. When a prospect travels by automobile on an official paid visit, the institution may pay round-trip expenses to the individual incurring the expense (except the prospect's coach as provided in Bylaw 13.9.1.1) at the same mileage rate it allows its own per-

sonnel. Any automobile may be used by the prospect, provided the automobile is not owned or operated or its use arranged by the institution or any representative of its athletics interests. (*Revised: 1/11/94*)

13.6.2.2.1 Prospect's Friends and Relatives. A prospect's friends, relatives or legal guardian(s) may receive cost-free transportation to visit a member institution's campus only by accompanying the prospect at the time the prospect travels in an automobile to visit the campus.

13.6.2.2.2 Use of Automobile. The institution or representatives of its athletics interests shall not provide an automobile for use during the official visit by the prospect or by a student host.

13.6.2.3 Air Transportation. The air fare for commercial transportation for the official visit may not exceed coach (or comparable) class. (*Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95*)

13.6.2.3.1 Ticket Discounts. An institution may not arrange payment of the airline ticket to allow a prospect [or the prospect's relatives, friends or legal guardian(s)] to take advantage of ticket bonuses, rebates, refunds or other benefits connected with the purchase of the ticket.

13.6.2.3.2 Institution's Airplane. An institution may use its own airplane to transport a prospect to the campus for an official visit, provided relatives, other friends or legal guardian(s) do not accompany the prospect.

13.6.2.3.3 Noncommercial Airplane. Whenever an aircraft (other than a commercial airplane) is used to transport a prospect, payment for its use shall be at the established charter rates at the airport where the craft is based. The institution shall be prepared to demonstrate satisfactorily that such payment has been made. (*Revised: 1/10/90*)

13.6.2.4 From Airport. During the official visit, any member of an institution's athletics department staff may provide transportation for a prospect between the campus and the bus or train station or major airport nearest the campus.

13.6.2.5 To/From Site of Competition. A prospect may be transported to campus for an official visit from the site of his or her athletics competition or the reverse arrangement, provided only actual transportation expenses are paid and the cost of the transportation does not exceed the cost of transportation between the prospect's home or educational institution and the institution's campus.

13.6.2.6 From Educational Institution. An institution may pay actual transportation costs for the prospect to return to his or her home after an official visit that originated at the prospect's educational institution, provided the cost of the transportation to the legal residence does not exceed the cost of transportation to the educational institution.

13.6.2.7 Visiting Two or More Institutions. Two or more institutions to which a prospect is making official visits on the same trip may provide travel expenses, provided there is no duplication of expenses, only actual and necessary expenses are provided, and the 48-hour visit limitation is observed at each institution.

13.6.2.8 Transportation of Prospect's Relatives, Friends or Legal Guardian(s). An institution shall not permit its athletics department staff members or representatives of its athletics interests to pay, provide or arrange for the payment of transportation costs incurred by relatives, friends or legal guardian(s) of a prospect to visit the campus or elsewhere; however, an institution may:

- (a) Provide automobile-mileage reimbursement to a prospect on an official visit, even if relatives or friends accompany the prospect; however, in that event the trip shall count as an official paid visit only for each recruited prospect in the automobile; and (*Revised: 1/11/94*)
- (b) Provide local transportation between its campus and the nearest airport for the parents, relatives or legal guardian(s) of a prospect making an official visit.

13.6.2.9 Eligibility Ramifications—Restitution for Receipt of Improper Benefits. For violations of Bylaw 13.6.2 in which the value of the transportation is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the individual (i.e., prospective or enrolled student-athlete) shall not be affected conditioned on the individual repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The individual, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the individual repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the individual's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. (*Adopted: 1/13/98*)

13.6.3 Transportation on Unofficial Visit. During any unofficial recruiting visit, the institution may provide the prospect with transportation only to view off-campus practice and competition sites in the prospect's sport and other institutional facilities (located within a 30-mile radius of the institution's campus). An institutional staff member must accompany the prospect during such a trip. Payment of any other transportation expenses, including providing transportation to attend one of the institution's home contests (on or off campus), is not permissible. For violations of Bylaw 13.6.3 in which the value of the trans-

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portation is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the individual (i.e., prospective or enrolled student-athlete) shall not be affected conditioned on the individual repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The individual, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the individual repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the individual's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff with the institution's self-report of the violation. (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/11/00*)

13.6.4 Transportation to Enroll. An institution or its representatives shall not furnish a prospect, directly or indirectly, with transportation to the campus for enrollment. However, it is permissible for any member of the institution's staff to provide transportation from the nearest bus or train station or major airport to the campus on the occasion of the student-athlete's initial arrival at the institution to attend classes.

13.7 OFFICIAL (PAID) VISIT

13.7.1 Limitations on Official Visit

13.7.1.1 One-Visit Limitation. A member institution may finance only one visit to its campus for a prospect.

13.7.1.2 Number of Official Visits—Prospect Limitation. A prospect may take a maximum of five expense-paid visits, with no more than one permitted to any single institution. This restriction applies regardless of the number of sports in which the prospect is involved.

13.7.1.2.1 Written Notification Required. Each member institution shall be required to notify the prospect in writing, at the time of its invitation but before the visit, of the five-visit limitation. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

13.7.1.2.2 First Opportunity to Visit. A prospect may not be provided an expense-paid visit earlier than the opening day of classes of the prospect's senior year in high school.

13.7.1.2.3 Academic Requirements for Official Visit

13.7.1.2.3.1 PSAT, SAT, PLAN (or PACT Plus) or ACT Score. A member institution may not provide an expense-paid visit to a high-school or preparatory school prospect who has not presented the institution with a score from a PSAT, an SAT, a PLAN (or PACT Plus) or an ACT test taken on a national testing date under national testing conditions. The score must be presented in writing through an official high-school or testing-agency document or through the use of the applicable testing agency's automated-voice system. A foreign or learning-disabled prospect who requires a special administration of the PSAT, SAT, PLAN (or PACT Plus) or ACT may present such a score on the approval of the appropriate academic requirements committee. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/92, Revised: 1/10/92, 1/16/93, 1/13/98*)

13.7.1.2.3.2 Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse. A prospect's fulfillment of these academic requirements may be certified by an initial-eligibility clearinghouse approved by the Executive Committee. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

13.7.1.2.3.3 Eligibility Ramifications. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

13.7.1.3 Post-High-School Visits. The one-visit limitation applies to the period in which the prospect is in high school and to the period beginning October 15 after the prospect's completion of high school. The limitations apply separately to the period in which the prospect is in high school and to the period beginning September 1 after the prospect's completion of high school. Thus, a prospect may be provided a maximum of 10 official visits—five while in high school and five beginning September 1 after the prospect's completion of high school. (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/90*)

13.7.1.3.1 Transfer Student. If a student-athlete attending a four-year institution desires to transfer and that institution provides the permission required (per Bylaw 13.1.1.3), it is permissible for a second institution to provide the student-athlete one official visit to that institution's campus.

13.7.1.4 Visit to Off-Campus Contest. The official visit shall be made to the campus and not, for example, to an off-campus site where the institution may be appearing in an athletics contest. However, if an institution is required to play all of its home games in a given sport at a site located in a community other than its own because of conditions beyond its own control (e.g., fire, windstorm, earthquake or other disaster), the Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant permission to the institution to consider games played at the substitute site as on-campus competition.

13.7.1.5 Visit While Competing in Open Event. A host institution may pay the expenses of a recruited prospect to participate in an established “open” event, provided the expenses of all other competitors in that event are paid; the expenses are not paid from athletics department (nonmeet) funds; and the expenses of the prospect are limited to actual transportation, room and board. This trip shall be considered the one paid visit to the institution’s campus with the prospect remaining no more than 48 hours.

13.7.2 Length of Official Visit. An official visit to an institution shall not exceed 48 hours. A prospect may remain in the locale in which the institution is located after the permissible 48-hour period for reasons unrelated to the official visit, provided that at the completion of the 48-hour visit, the individual departs the institution’s campus, and the institution does not pay any expenses thereafter, including the cost of return transportation to the prospect’s home. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, violations due to inclement weather shall not affect the prospective student-athlete’s eligibility. Additionally, if the prospect does not return home before attending the institution, the one-way transportation to the campus would be considered a violation of Bylaw 13.6.4, which prohibits transportation to enroll. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

13.7.2.1 48-Hour Period Defined. The 48-hour period of the official visit begins at the time the prospect arrives on the institution’s campus, rather than with the initiation of the prospect’s transportation by a coach or the time of the prospect’s arrival at the airport or elsewhere in the community. The prospect’s transportation to and from the campus must be without delay for personal reasons or entertainment purposes. The institution may not pay any expenses for entertainment (other than the actual and reasonable cost of meals) in conjunction with the prospect’s transportation. At the completion of the 48-hour visit, the prospect must depart the institution’s campus immediately; otherwise, the institution may not pay any expenses incurred by the prospect upon departure from the institution’s campus, including the cost of the prospect’s transportation home.

13.7.3 Transportation on Official Visit. For regulations relating to transportation on the official visit, see Bylaw 13.6.2.

13.7.4 Accommodations on Official Visit. A prospect on an official visit shall be provided lodging and take meals as regular students normally do. Local commercial facilities may be used but at a scale comparable to that of normal student life and only within a 30-mile radius of the institution’s campus.

13.7.5 Entertainment/Tickets on Official Visit

13.7.5.1 General Restrictions. An institution may provide entertainment, which may not be excessive, on the official visit only for a prospect and the prospect’s parents [or legal guardian(s)] or spouse and only within a 30-mile radius of the institution’s main campus. Entertainment and contact by representatives of the institution’s athletics interests during the official visit are prohibited in Division I and confined to campus in Division II. It is not permissible to entertain other relatives or friends (including dates) of a prospect at any time at any site. For violations of this bylaw in which the value of the entertainment is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the individual (i.e., prospective or enrolled student-athlete) shall not be affected conditioned on the individual repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The individual, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the individual repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the individual’s repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. (*Revised: 1/13/98*)

13.7.5.1.1 Meals and Lodging While in Transit. It is permissible for an institution to pay a prospect’s actual costs for reasonable expenses (e.g., meals, lodging) incurred while traveling to and from campus on the official visit.

13.7.5.2 Complimentary Admissions. During the official visit, a maximum of three complimentary admissions to a campus athletics event in which the institution’s intercollegiate team practices or competes may be provided to a prospect. Such complimentary admissions are for the exclusive use of the prospect and those persons accompanying the prospect on the visit and must be issued on an individual-game basis. Providing seating during the conduct of the event (including intermission) for the prospect or the prospect’s parents [or legal guardian(s)] or spouse in the facility’s press box, special seating box(es) or bench area is specifically prohibited. For violations of this bylaw in which the individual receives an excessive number of complimentary admissions, and the value of the excessive admissions is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the individual (i.e., prospective or enrolled student-athlete) shall not be affected conditioned on the individual repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The individual, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the individual repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the individual’s repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. (*Revised: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/90, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/13/98, 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

13.7.5.2.1 Off-Campus Home Competition. Complimentary admissions may be provided to a

prospect and those persons accompanying the prospect on the visit to attend an institution's off-campus home competition, provided the site of the competition is located within a 30-mile radius of the institution's campus. *(Adopted: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00)*

13.7.5.2.2 Conference Tournaments. An institution may provide complimentary admissions to a prospect for a postseason conference tournament only if the institution participates in the tournament and it is held on the institution's campus. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

13.7.5.2.3 NCAA Championships or Other Postseason Contests. The provision of complimentary or reduced-cost admissions to prospects for an NCAA championship (all rounds) or other postseason contests (e.g., bowl game, NAIA or NIT championship) constitutes excessive entertainment and is prohibited. The prospect may purchase these tickets only in the same manner as any other member of the general public. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

13.7.5.2.4 Purchase of Game Tickets in Same Locale. An institution may reserve tickets, only for the use of immediate family members accompanying a prospect during an official visit and for seat locations adjacent to the complimentary seats being provided to the prospect. These tickets must be purchased at face value. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

13.7.5.3 Parking. An institution may arrange special on-campus parking for prospects during an official visit. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

13.7.5.4 Cash to Prospect. The institution or representatives of its athletics interests shall not provide cash to a prospect for entertainment purposes.

13.7.5.5 Student Host. The institution may provide the following to a student host entertaining a prospect:

- (a) A maximum of \$30 for each day of the visit to cover all actual costs of entertaining the prospect (and the prospect's parents, legal guardians or spouse), excluding the cost of meals and admission to campus athletics events. These funds may not be used for the purchase of souvenirs such as T-shirts or other institutional mementos. It is permissible to provide the student host with an additional \$15 per day for each additional prospect the host entertains; *(Revised: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/90, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*
- (b) A complimentary meal, provided the student host is accompanying the prospect during the prospect's official visit; and *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*
- (c) A complimentary admission to a campus athletics event, provided the ticket is used to accompany a prospect to that event during the prospect's official visit.

13.7.5.5.1 Eligibility Ramifications—Restitution for Receipt of Improper Benefits. For violations of Bylaw 13.7.5.5 in which the value of the benefit to the individual (i.e., prospective or enrolled student-athlete) is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the individual shall not be affected conditioned on the individual repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The individual, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the individual repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the individual's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. *(Adopted: 1/13/98)*

13.7.5.5.2 Multiple Hosts. If several students host a prospect, the \$30 per day entertainment money may be used to cover the actual and necessary expenses incurred by the prospect and all hosts. Only one student host per prospect may be provided a free meal, if restaurant facilities are used. *(Revised: 1/10/92, 1/16/93, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

13.7.5.5.3 Nonqualifier Prohibition. The student host must be enrolled in the member institution being visited by a prospect. A nonqualifier (see Bylaw 14.02.9) may not serve as a student host during his or her first academic year in residence. *(Revised: 3/19/97)*

13.7.5.5.4 Use of Automobile. The institution or representatives of its athletics interests shall not provide an automobile for use by the prospect or the student host.

13.7.5.6 Student Support Group Assisting in Recruiting. An institution may not provide a free meal or entertainment to a member of an institutional student support group that assists in the recruitment of a prospect during an official visit, unless the student is designated as the one student host for that prospect. Any additional arrangement between the institution and members of such a support group (e.g., compensation, providing a uniform) is left to the discretion of the institution. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

13.7.5.7 Meals on Official Visit

13.7.5.7.1 All Divisions. In all divisions, the cost of actual meals, not to exceed three per day, on the official visit for a prospect and the prospect's parents, legal guardian(s) or spouse need not be included in the \$30-per-day entertainment expense. A dessert or after-dinner snack at the coach's

residence also may be excluded. *(Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95)*

13.7.5.7.1.1 Entertainment at Staff Member's Home. A luncheon, dinner or brunch at the home of an institutional staff member (e.g., the athletics director, a coach, a faculty member or the institution's president) may be held for a prospect on an official visit, provided the entertainment is on a scale comparable to that of normal student life, is not excessive in nature and occurs on only one occasion. *(Revised: 1/9/96)*

13.7.5.7.2 Eligibility Ramifications—Restitution for Receipt of Improper Benefits. For violations of Bylaw 13.7.5.7.1 in which the value of the excessive meals is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the individual (i.e., prospective or enrolled student-athlete) shall not be affected conditioned on the individual repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The individual, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the individual repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the individual's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. *(Adopted: 1/13/98)*

13.7.5.8 Normal Retail Cost. If a boat, snowmobile, recreational vehicle or similar recreational equipment (including those provided by an institutional staff member or a representative of the institution's athletics interests) is used to entertain a prospect or the prospect's parents, legal guardian(s) and spouse, the normal retail cost of the use of such equipment shall be assessed against the \$30-per-day entertainment figure; further, if such normal retail cost exceeds the \$30-per-day entertainment allowance, such entertainment may not be provided. *(Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

13.7.6 Entertainment on Official Visit for Spouse, Parent or Legal Guardian of Prospect. A member institution shall limit entertainment, meals and lodging on the prospect's official visit to a prospect, the prospect's parents [or legal guardian(s)] and spouse.

13.7.7 Lodging for Additional Persons. Additional persons (e.g., prospect's brother, sister, friend) may stay in the same room as the prospect or parents, spouse or legal guardian(s) of the prospect, but the institution shall not pay the costs resulting from the additional occupants. The additional occupants shall not be prospects being recruited by the institution. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

13.8 UNOFFICIAL (NONPAID) VISIT

13.8.1 Number Permitted. A prospect may visit a member institution's campus at his or her own expense an unlimited number of times. A prospect may make unofficial visits before his or her senior year in high school.

13.8.2 Entertainment/Tickets

13.8.2.1 General Restrictions. During an unofficial visit, the institution may not pay any expenses or provide any entertainment except a maximum of three complimentary admissions to a campus athletics event in which the institution's intercollegiate team practices or competes. Such complimentary admissions are for the exclusive use of the prospect and those persons accompanying the prospect on the visit and must be issued on an individual-game basis. *(Revised: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/90, Revised: 1/11/94)*

13.8.2.1.1 Meals. An institution may provide a prospect (and the prospect's parents or legal guardians) with a meal in the institution's on-campus dining facility during an unofficial visit. In addition, an institution may provide a meal in an off-campus dining facility when all on-campus dining facilities are closed. *(Revised: 1/10/91)*

13.8.2.1.2 Housing—Lodging in Dormitories. A prospect on an unofficial visit may stay in an enrolled student-athlete's dormitory room only if the prospect pays the regular institutional rate for such lodging.

13.8.2.1.3 Transportation during Unofficial Visit. For regulations relating to transportation on an unofficial visit, see Bylaw 13.6.3.

13.8.2.1.4 Reserving Game Tickets. An institution may not reserve tickets (in addition to the permissible complimentary admissions) to be purchased by a prospect (or individuals accompanying the prospect) on an unofficial visit. Tickets may be purchased only in the same manner as any other member of the general public. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

13.8.2.1.5 Parking. An institution may not arrange special parking for prospects to use while attending a member institution's campus athletics event during an unofficial visit. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

13.8.2.1.6 Academic Interviews. An athletics department staff member may arrange academic interviews for a prospect on an unofficial visit.

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13.8.2.2 Home Games Outside the Community. If an institution schedules any regular-season home games at a site located in a community other than its own, the host institution may provide a maximum of three complimentary admissions to only one such game for the exclusive use of a prospect and those persons accompanying the prospect. Tournament and postseason games are excluded. The institution shall not arrange or permit any other entertainment or payment of expenses, including transportation.

13.8.2.3 Conference Tournaments. An institution may provide complimentary admissions to a prospect for a postseason conference tournament only if the institution participates in the tournament and it is held on the institution's campus. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

13.8.2.4 NCAA Championships or Other Postseason Contests. The provision of complimentary or reduced-cost admissions to prospects for an NCAA championship (all rounds) or other postseason contests (e.g., bowl game, NAIA or NIT championship) constitutes excessive entertainment and is prohibited. The prospect may purchase tickets to such events only in the same manner as any other member of the general public. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

13.8.2.5 Visit Unrelated to Recruitment. The limitations on providing entertainment to a prospect shall not extend to a visit to the institution's campus for a purpose having nothing whatsoever to do with the prospect's athletics recruitment by the institution (e.g., band trip, fraternity weekend, athletics team's attendance at a sporting event with the high-school coach). The institution's athletics department or representatives of its athletics interests may not be involved in any way with the arrangements for the visit, other than providing (in accordance with established policy) free admissions to an athletics event on a group basis, rather than personally to the prospect.

13.8.2.6 Visit Related to National Student-Athlete Day or National Girls and Women in Sports Day. The limitations on providing entertainment to a prospect shall not extend to a visit to the institution's campus for activities related to National Student-Athlete Day and/or National Girls and Women in Sports Day. (*Adopted: 1/14/97, Revised: 4/22/98, Revised: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99*)

13.8.2.7 Eligibility Ramifications—Restitution for Receipt of Improper Benefits. For violations of Bylaw 13.8.2 in which the value of the entertainment/tickets/meal is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the individual (i.e., prospective or enrolled student-athlete) shall not be affected conditioned on the individual repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The individual, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the individual repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the individual's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. (*Adopted: 1/13/98*)

13.9 ENTERTAINMENT, REIMBURSEMENT AND EMPLOYMENT OF HIGH-SCHOOL/COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL/TWO-YEAR COLLEGE COACHES

13.9.1 Entertainment Restrictions. Entertainment of a high-school, college preparatory school or two-year college coach or any other individual responsible for teaching or directing an activity in which a prospect is involved shall be confined to a member institution's campus and shall be limited to providing a maximum of two complimentary admissions to home athletics contests, which must be issued on an individual-game basis. Such entertainment shall not include food and refreshments, room expenses, or the cost of transportation to and from the campus. An institutional coaching staff member is expressly prohibited from spending funds to entertain the prospect's coach on or off the member institution's campus.

13.9.1.1 Transportation Reimbursement. An institution shall not reimburse a high-school, preparatory school or two-year college coach for expenses incurred in transporting a prospect to visit the campus.

13.9.1.2 Transportation to Off-Campus Contest. If a high-school, preparatory school or two-year college coach transports members of his or her athletics squad to an off-campus site to watch NCAA member institutions compete, an institution may not reimburse the coach for the transportation costs or provide complimentary tickets for the coach or any of the team members.

13.9.1.3 Purchase of Game Tickets. An institution may not reserve tickets (in addition to the permissible complimentary admissions) to be purchased by high-school, college preparatory or two-year college coaches (or individuals accompanying them) to attend an institution's athletics contest. Tickets may be purchased only in the same manner as any other member of the general public. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

13.9.1.4 Noncoaching-Related Organization. If a high-school, preparatory school or two-year college coach is a member of a noncoaching-related organization (e.g., state high-school principals association, college fraternity alumni organization, institution's alumni association), an institution may entertain the group, provided there is no direct involvement by the institution's athletics department.

13.9.2 Material Benefits. Arrangements by an institution that involve a material benefit for a high-

school, preparatory school or two-year college coach, or for any other individual responsible for teaching or directing an activity in which a prospective student-athlete is involved, (e.g., the provision of a gift such as a tangible item bearing the institution's insignia, the offer to pay a portion of the coach's or other individual's personal expenses, compensation based on the number of campers sent to an institution's camp, or an arrangement to provide transportation for the coach or other individual) are prohibited.

13.9.2.1 Gifts at Coaches' Clinic. An institution may not provide gifts to high-school, preparatory school or two-year college coaches in conjunction with its coaches' clinic or other events. This specifically prohibits the provision of a door prize to the coach, even if the cost of the prize is included in the cumulative admission fee (i.e., the admission fee charged to each person, when combined, would cover the cost of the prize). Materials (e.g., clipboards, file folders) may be provided to each person attending the clinic, provided the items are included in the registration or admission fee. (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/11/94*)

13.9.3 Employment Conditions

13.9.3.1 Graduate Teaching Assistants. A high-school, preparatory school or two-year college coach who is enrolled in a bona fide postgraduate program at a member institution is permitted to receive legitimate compensation as a graduate teaching assistant.

13.9.3.2 Employment in Different Sport. A high-school, preparatory school or two-year college coach who remains associated with the high school, preparatory school or two-year college in a coaching capacity in a different sport shall be permitted to engage in part-time employment as a member of an institution's coaching staff.

13.9.3.3 Employment in Same Sport. A high-school, preparatory school or two-year college coach who remains associated with the high school, preparatory school or two-year college in a coaching capacity in the same sport may be employed as a member of an institution's coaching staff.

13.9.3.3.1 Conditions and Restrictions. A high-school, preparatory school or two-year college coach employed by an institution under this provision must perform actual on-the-field coaching duties, may be involved in recruiting only to the extent of such involvement by the institution's other on-the-field coaches, and must be under contract or other binding agreement for a period of not less than one academic year; however, the institution is permitted to confine such a coach's compensation to a shorter period of time (e.g., a sport season).

13.10 LETTER-OF-INTENT PROGRAMS, FINANCIAL AID AGREEMENTS

13.10.1 General Restrictions. A member institution may not participate in an institutional or conference athletics letter-of-intent program or issue an institutional or conference financial aid agreement that involves a signing date that precedes the initial regular (as opposed to early) signing date for the National Letter of Intent program in the same sport.

13.10.1.1 Mailing of Financial Aid Offer. An institutional or conference financial aid form may be included in the normal mailing of the National Letter of Intent, but none of the forms enclosed in the mailing may be signed by the prospect before the initial-signing date in that sport in the National Letter of Intent program.

13.10.1.2 Offer of Aid before Signing Date. An institution may indicate in writing to a prospect that an athletically related grant-in-aid will be offered by the institution; however, the institution may not permit the prospect to sign a form indicating his or her acceptance of such an award before the initial-signing date in that sport in the National Letter of Intent program.

13.11 PUBLICITY

13.11.1 Presence of Media during Recruiting Contact. A member institution shall not permit a media entity to be present during any recruiting contact made by an institution's coaching staff member. Violations of this bylaw do not affect a prospect's eligibility; however, the violation shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1. (*Adopted: 1/9/96, Revised: 1/14/97*)

13.11.2 Comments before Signing. Before the signing of a prospect to a National Letter of Intent or an institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid, a member institution may comment publicly only to the extent of confirming its recruitment of the prospect. The institution may not comment generally about the prospect's ability or the contribution that the prospect might make to the institution's team; further, the institution is precluded from commenting in any manner as to the likelihood of the prospect's signing with that institution. Violations of this bylaw do not affect a prospect's eligibility; however, the violation shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1. (*Revised: 1/14/97*)

13.11.2.1 Evaluations for Media, Recruiting Services. Athletics department staff members shall not evaluate or rate a prospect for news media, scouting services or recruiting services before the

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prospect's signed acceptance of the institution's written offer of admission as a student and/or written tender of financial assistance to be provided on the prospect's enrollment.

13.11.3 Radio/TV Show. A member institution shall not permit a prospect or a high-school, college preparatory school or two-year college coach to appear, be interviewed or otherwise be involved (in person or via film, audio tape or videotape) on:

- (a) A radio or television program conducted by the institution's coach;
- (b) A program in which the institution's coach is participating; or
- (c) A program for which a member of the institution's athletics staff has been instrumental in arranging for the appearance of the prospect or coach or related program material.

13.11.3.1 Announcer for High-School Broadcast. A member of the athletics staff of a member institution may not serve as an announcer or commentator for a high-school, college preparatory school or two-year college contest, or appear (in person or by means of film, audio tape or videotape) on a radio or television broadcast of such contest. This restriction does not apply to contests involving national teams in which prospective student-athletes may be participants, including the Olympic games. (*Revised: 1/10/95, 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

13.11.3.2 Game Broadcast/Telecast. A prospect may not be interviewed during the broadcast or telecast of an institution's intercollegiate contest. A member institution may not permit a station telecasting a game to show a videotape of competition involving high-school, preparatory school or two-year college players.

13.11.4 Prospect's Visit. A member institution shall not publicize (or arrange for publicity of) a prospect's visit to the institution's campus. Violations of this bylaw do not affect a prospect's eligibility; however, the violation shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1. (*Revised: 1/14/97*)

13.11.5 Introduction of Prospect. An institution may not introduce a visiting prospect at a function (e.g., the institution's sports award banquet or an intercollegiate athletics contest) that is attended by media representatives or open to the general public. Violations of this bylaw do not affect a prospect's eligibility; however, the violation shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1. (*Revised: 1/14/97*)

13.11.6 Intent to Enroll. A member institution shall not publicize (or arrange for publicity of) a prospect's intention to accept its offer of financial assistance. Violations of this bylaw do not affect a prospect's eligibility; however, the violation shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1. (*Revised: 1/14/97*)

13.11.7 Photograph of Prospect. It is permissible for an institution to photograph a prospect during a campus visit to be used in the institution's permissible publicity and promotional activities (e.g., press release, media guide), but the photograph may not be given to the prospect. (*Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/11/94*)

13.11.8 Announcement of Signing. Publicity released by an institution concerning a prospect's commitment to attend the institution shall occur only after the prospect has signed a National Letter of Intent or after the prospect's signed acceptance of the institution's written offer of admission and/or financial aid. Such communications shall be limited to those media forms normally used by the institution. Violations of this bylaw do not affect a prospect's eligibility; however, the violation shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1. (*Revised: 1/14/97*)

13.11.8.1 Media Outlets. Such communications shall be released only to those media outlets normally used by the institution and by the educational institutions currently and formerly attended by the prospect.

13.11.8.2 Press Conferences. Institutional press conferences, receptions, dinners and similar meetings held for the purpose of making such an announcement are expressly prohibited.

13.11.8.2.1 One-Time Exception—Announcement of All Signings. An institution may make an announcement on the institution's campus for the sole purpose of presenting at one time to the media the names of all prospects who have accepted offers of admission and/or athletically related aid in a particular sport from that institution, with the understanding that no prospects (or their friends or relatives) may be in attendance.

13.11.8.3 Staff Member Presence. Institutional staff members are expressly prohibited from personal contact with media representatives at the site of the signing or at any other prearranged site when a prospect accepts an offer made by the institution. This does not preclude the presence of bona fide media representatives who are employed on a part-time basis by the institution.

13.11.8.4 Signings On Campus. An institution is responsible for signings on its campus (whether involving an individual or a group of prospects). Any contact by the media with prospects on campus during the time the prospect signs a National Letter of Intent or tender of financial aid shall be consid-

ered to be prima facie evidence of institutional involvement in arranging media involvement and shall be prohibited.

13.11.8.5 Press-Release Content. The contents of a properly issued press release may be determined by the institution and may include comments by its coaching staff members about the abilities of the prospect.

13.12 TRYOUTS

13.12.1 Prohibited Activities. A member institution, on its campus or elsewhere, shall not conduct (or have conducted on its behalf) any physical activity (e.g., practice session or test/tryout) at which one or more prospects (as defined in Bylaw 13.12.1.1) reveal, demonstrate or display their athletics abilities in any sport except as provided in Bylaws 13.12.2 and 13.12.3.

13.12.1.1 Definition of “Prospect” for Tryout-Rule Purposes. For purposes of the tryout rule, the phrase “prospective student-athlete” or “prospect” shall include any individual who has started classes for the ninth grade and is not enrolled in the member institution at the time of the practice or test therein described. *(Revised: 1/11/89)*

13.12.1.2 Competition against Prospects. An institution’s varsity intercollegiate team may compete against a two-year college team but may not compete against a high-school or preparatory school team. Subvarsity teams are not bound by this prohibition. The varsity team may participate in a contest against an established outside team that includes prospects, provided the outside team is ongoing and was not established for the specific purpose of competing against the collegiate team.

13.12.1.3 Competition in Conjunction with a High School, Preparatory School or Two-Year College. In all sports, member institutions shall be permitted to host competition. In the sports of basketball, football, gymnastics and volleyball, all high schools, preparatory schools or two-year colleges involved must be located within a 50-mile radius of the member institution hosting the event, and all such competition must occur on the member institution’s campus (see Bylaw 13.16.1.4). *(Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/95)*

13.12.1.3.1 Criteria. A member institution may schedule an intercollegiate contest on the same day as a high-school, preparatory school or two-year college contest under a single admission and conducted during a continuous session. In the sports of basketball, football, gymnastics and volleyball, a member institution shall not permit a high school, preparatory school or two-year college to compete in more than one of these contests (per sport) on the institution’s campus during an academic year. *(Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/95)*

13.12.1.4 Nonscholastic-Based Basketball. A member of an institution’s coaching staff may not participate in coaching activities involving nonscholastic-based basketball teams if any of the participants is of prospect age or older (i.e., ninth grade or above). In addition, coaching staff members may not participate on such teams that include individuals with eligibility remaining or that include individuals of prospect age or younger. *(Revised: 1/10/95, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/11/00)*

13.12.1.5 Tryout Camps. A member institution or conference may not conduct a tryout camp devoted to agility, flexibility, speed and strength tests for prospects. A member institution’s staff members may not attend such a tryout camp sponsored by an outside organization if the camp invites only representatives from selected institutions or conferences to observe the camp (except as specified in Bylaw 13.12.2.1). *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

13.12.2 Permissible Activities

13.12.2.1 Tryouts. A member institution may conduct a tryout of a prospect only on its campus or at a site at which it normally conducts practice or competition and only under the following conditions (see Bylaw 17.02.12 for tryouts of currently enrolled students): *(Revised: 1/13/98 effective 8/1/98, Revised 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00)*

- (a) No more than one tryout per prospect per institution per sport shall be permitted;
- (b) The tryout may be conducted only for high-school seniors who are enrolled in a term other than the term in which the traditional season in the sport occurs or who have completed high-school eligibility in the sport and written permission has been obtained from the high school’s athletics director; for a two-year college student, after the conclusion of the sport season, and for a four-year college student, after the conclusion of the sport season, provided written permission to contact the prospect (per Bylaw 13.1.1.3) has been obtained; *(Revised: 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*
- (c) A medical examination of a prospect conducted by an institution’s regular team physician or other designated physician shall be permitted as a part of the tryout;
- (d) The tryout may include tests to evaluate the prospect’s strength, speed, agility and sport skills.

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Except in the sports of football, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer and wrestling, the tryout may include competition. In the sport of football, the prospects shall not wear helmets or pads;

- (e) Competition against the member institution's team is permissible, provided such competition occurs during the academic year and is considered a countable athletically related activity per Bylaw 17.02.1.1; (*Adopted: 1/10/91, Revised: 1/11/94*)
- (f) The time of the tryout activities (other than the physical examination) shall be limited to the length of the institution's normal practice period in the sport but in no event shall it be longer than two hours; and
- (g) The institution may provide equipment and clothing on an issuance-and-retrieval basis to a prospect during the period of the tryout.

13.12.2.2 Preseason Practice and Competition. A student-athlete who is not enrolled, but who has been accepted for admission to the institution in a regular full-time program of studies, shall be permitted to engage in preseason practice and competition in fall sports or practice occurring in midyear between terms on the academic calendar, provided such practice is not used to determine whether aid is to be awarded.

13.12.2.3 Recreational Activities. A prospect visiting a member institution may participate in physical workouts or other recreational activities during a visit to an institution's campus, provided such activities:

- (a) Are not organized or observed by members of the athletics department coaching staff; and
- (b) Are not designed to test the athletics abilities of the prospect. (*Revised: 1/11/94*)

13.12.2.4 Local Sports Clubs. In sports other than basketball, an institution's coach may be involved as a participant or in instructional or coaching activities in the same sport for a local sports club or organization located in the institution's home community, provided all prospects participating in said activities are legal residents of the area (within a 50-mile radius of the institution). Further, in club teams involving multiple teams or multiple sports, the 50-mile radius is applicable only to the team with which the institution's coach is involved; however, it is not permissible for the coach to assign a prospect who lives outside the 50-mile area to another coach of the club. A coach also may be involved in activities with individuals who are not of prospect age (i.e., before the ninth grade), regardless of where such individuals reside. (*Revised: 1/10/90, 1/16/93*)

13.12.2.4.1 Institutional Sponsorship of Local Sports Club. Neither an institution's athletics department nor an institution's athletics booster group may sponsor a local sports club that includes prospects. It is permissible for a department of the institution that operates independent of the athletics department (e.g., physical education department, recreation department) to sponsor a local sports club that includes prospects, provided no athletics department staff member is involved with the club team. (*Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/11/94*)

13.12.2.5 Sports Camps and Clinics. An institution's coach may be employed in sports camps, coaching schools and clinics per Bylaw 13.13 without violating the tryout rule.

13.12.2.6 Medical Examinations

13.12.2.6.1 During Campus Visit. During a prospect's official or unofficial visit to campus, a member institution, through its regular team or other designated physician, may conduct a medical examination to determine the prospect's medical qualifications to participate in intercollegiate athletics, provided no athletics department staff member other than the trainer is present and the examination does not include any test or procedure designed to measure the athletics agility or skill of the prospect.

13.12.2.6.2 After Signing or Acceptance for Enrollment. It shall be permissible to administer medical examinations at any time to prospects who either have signed the National Letter of Intent with the involved institution or have been accepted for enrollment in a regular full-time program of studies at that institution, provided the examinations occur during an official paid visit or the prospects visit the institution at their own expense for this purpose. (*Revised: 1/14/97*)

13.12.3 Tryout Exceptions (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

13.12.3.1 Developmental Clinics. Developmental clinics (including competition conducted in conjunction with the clinic) involving prospects shall not be considered tryouts, provided:

- (a) They are designed to develop fundamental skills in a sport (rather than to refine the abilities of skilled participants in the sport);
- (b) They are open to the general public (except for restrictions in age or number of participants);
- (c) They are conducted by and subject to the control of the host member institution;

- (d) They are conducted primarily for educational purposes and do not include material benefits for the participants (e.g., awards, prizes, merchandise gifts);
- (e) Clinic participants do not receive a recruiting presentation; and (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)
- (f) Clinic participants reside in the state in which the host institution is located or within 100 miles of the host institution. (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)

13.12.3.2 “Open” Events. Participation by a prospect in “open” events conducted by or held on the campus of a member institution shall not be considered tryouts. Competition shall be considered “open” if the competitive event itself is not classified by age group or level of educational institution represented, and the selection of participants is not limited except by number, by geographical area or on the basis of some objective standard of performance.

13.12.3.3 Activities Not Involving Institution’s Staff. The use of a member institution’s facilities for physical activities by a group that includes prospects shall not be considered a tryout, provided the institution’s athletics department staff members or representatives of its athletics interests are not involved in the conduct, promotion or administration of the activity (other than activities incidental to supervising the use of the facilities) and are subject to all applicable NCAA recruiting legislation.

13.12.3.4 State, Regional, National or International Training Programs. Participation by an institution’s athletics department staff member in recognized state, regional, national or international training programs or competition organized and administered by the applicable governing body or athletics authority shall not be considered tryouts. A member institution’s coaching staff member may not participate in noncoaching activities (e.g., consultant, on-site coordinator, participant selection) except as permitted in Bylaw 13.12.3.4.1 and 13.12.3.4.2. (*Revised: 1/9/96, 4/22/98*)

13.12.3.4.1 Coach/Prospect Competition. It is permissible for an institution’s coach to participate with or against prospects in recognized regional, national or international training programs or competition, provided the competition is regularly scheduled under the authority of an outside sports organization and both the coach and the prospect are eligible to enter the competition.

13.12.3.4.2 Administration of “State Games.” A member institution serving as the site of “state games” is permitted to involve its staff members in the administration of the event but may not be involved in the selection or assignment of participants and coaches participating in the event. (*Adopted: 1/10/91*)

13.12.3.5 High-School, Preparatory School and Two-Year College Contests. Regularly scheduled high-school, preparatory school and two-year college athletics contests or matches, conducted by a member institution or sponsored jointly with an outside organization and held on the campus of a member institution, shall not be considered tryouts, provided the following conditions are met [see Bylaw 13.2.3-(c) for restrictions related to the provision of awards at such contests]:

- (a) The opportunity to participate in the event is not limited to specific prospects or educational institutions and all individual prospects or educational institutions in a specific geographical area are eligible to compete (limited only by number, by institutional classification or on the basis of some objective standard of performance);
- (b) The event appears on the schedules of the prospects’ educational institutions; and
- (c) The event is conducted by a national sports federation of which the NCAA is a member or it has been approved before the season by the appropriate state or national authority.

13.12.3.6 High-School, Preparatory School and Two-Year College Practice and Competition. The regular or emergency use of a member institution’s facilities by a high-school, preparatory school or two-year college athletics team for its normal practice activities (conducted solely by its coaches) or for regularly scheduled high-school, preparatory school or two-year college contests (conducted solely by those participating institutions) shall not be considered tryouts, provided the following conditions are met:

- (a) The competition is approved by the appropriate state or national authority; and
- (b) The member institution and representatives of its athletics interests are not involved in any way in the invitation or selection of participating schools or individuals.

13.12.3.7 Officiating. An institution’s coach may officiate competition that involves prospects, provided the competition is regularly scheduled under the authority of an outside sports organization.

13.12.3.8 Private Lessons. An institution’s golf or tennis coach may teach private golf or tennis lessons to a prospect, provided the following conditions are met: (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

- (a) The coach makes lessons available to the general public;
- (b) The prospect resides within a 100-mile radius of the institution’s main campus;
- (c) Fees charged to the prospect are at a rate commensurate with fees charged to all individuals;

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- (d) Prior written approval is received annually from the institution's chief executive officer;
- (e) Fees of the prospect are not paid by individuals or entities other than the prospect's parents or legal guardian(s); and
- (f) The institution keeps on file in the office of the director of athletics documentation of the fee charged for the private lessons and the name of any individual receiving any portion of the fee.

13.13 SPORTS CAMPS AND CLINICS

13.13.1 Institution's Sports Camps and Clinics

13.13.1.1 Definition. An institution's sports camp or instructional clinic shall be any camp or clinic that is owned or operated by a member institution or an employee of the member institution's athletics department, either on or off its campus. (*Adopted: 1/11/89, Revised: 1/10/90*)

13.13.1.1.1 Purposes of Camps or Clinics. An institution's sports camp or clinic shall be one that:

- (a) Places special emphasis on a particular sport or sports and provides specialized instruction, practice or competition;
- (b) Involves activities designed to improve overall skills and general knowledge in the sport; or
- (c) Offers a diversified experience without emphasis on instruction, practice or competition in any particular sport. (*Adopted: 1/11/89, Revised: 1/10/90*)

13.13.1.1.2 Football and Basketball. An institution's football or basketball camp or clinic may be conducted only during an institution's summer-vacation period, unless such activities meet the provisions regarding developmental clinics set forth in Bylaw 13.12.3.1. (*Adopted: 1/11/89, Revised: 1/10/90*)

13.13.1.2 Attendance Restriction. A member institution's sports camp or clinic shall be open to any and all entrants (limited only by number and age). (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/91, 1/11/94*)

13.13.1.3 Recruiting Calendar Exceptions. The interaction during sports camps and sports clinics between prospects and those coaches employed by the camp or clinic is not subject to the recruiting calendar restrictions. However, other coaches wishing to attend the camp as observers must comply with appropriate recruiting contact and evaluation periods. In addition, institutional camps or clinics may not be conducted during a dead period.

13.13.1.4 Advertisements. Restrictions relating to advertisements of an institution's sports camps and clinics in recruiting publications are set forth in Bylaw 13.4. Such restrictions do not apply to sports camp and clinic advertisements in nonrecruiting publications (e.g., a member institution's game program).

13.13.1.5 Employment of Prospects/No Free or Reduced Admission Privileges

13.13.1.5.1 Prospective Student-Athlete. In operating a sports camp or clinic, an institution, members of its staff or a representative of its athletics interests shall not employ or give free or reduced admission privileges to any individual who has started classes for the ninth grade. (*Revised 1/11/89*)

13.13.1.5.2 Payment of Expenses. A representative of an institution's athletics interests may not pay a prospect's expenses to attend a member institution's sports camp or clinic.

13.13.1.5.3 Concession Arrangement

13.13.1.5.3.1 Prospective Student-Athlete. An institution may not permit or arrange for a prospect, at the prospect's own expense, to operate a concession to sell items related to or associated with the institution's camp.

13.13.1.5.3.2 Enrolled Student-Athlete. A student-athlete, at the student-athlete's own expense, may not operate a concession to sell items related to or associated with his or her institution's camp to campers or others in attendance because such an arrangement would be considered an extra benefit. However, the institution may employ the student-athlete at a reasonable rate to perform such services for the camp.

13.13.1.5.4 Awards. Prospects may receive awards from a member institution's sports camp or clinic with the understanding that the cost of such awards is included in the admissions fees charged for participants in the camp or clinic. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

13.13.2 Employment at Camp or Clinic

13.13.2.1 Student-Athletes

13.13.2.1.1 General Rule. A student-athlete who is employed in any sports camp or clinic must meet the following requirements:

- (a) The student-athlete must perform duties that are of a general supervisory character and any coaching or officiating assignments shall represent not more than one-half of the student-athlete's work time.
- (b) Compensation provided to the student-athlete shall be commensurate with the going rate for camp or clinic counselors of similar teaching ability and camp or clinic experience and may not be paid on the basis of the value that the student-athlete may have for the employer because of the athletics reputation or fame the student-athlete has achieved. It is not permissible to establish varying levels of compensation for a student-athlete employed in a sports camp or clinic based on the level of athletics skills of the student-athlete. *(Revised: 1/11/94)*
- (c) A student-athlete who only lectures or demonstrates at a camp/clinic may not receive compensation for his or her appearance at the camp/clinic. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

13.13.2.1.1.1 Self-Employment. A student-athlete with remaining eligibility is not permitted to conduct his or her own camp or clinic.

13.13.2.1.1.2 Provision of Travel Expenses to All Employees. A student-athlete may receive actual travel expenses (including lodging and meals in transit and prepaid plane tickets or cash advances) only if such travel expenses are paid and procedures for reimbursement of expenses are used for all employees of the camp/clinic. Credit cards may not be provided to a student-athlete to pay such expenses. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

13.13.2.1.1.3 Cash Advances Based on Anticipated Earnings. In the case where all employees do not receive travel expenses, a cash advance based on anticipated earnings may be provided to a student-athlete only if such advance does not exceed the estimated actual and necessary cost of travel or the student-athlete's estimated employment earnings, whichever is less, and such a benefit is available to all camp employees. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

13.13.2.1.1.4 Transportation from Coach or Representative of Athletics Interests. Actual transportation from an institution's coach or representative of its athletics interests may be provided to a student-athlete only if travel expenses are paid for all employees of the camp/clinic. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

13.13.2.1.2 Employment in Own Institution's Camp or Clinic. A member institution (or employees of its athletics department) may employ its student-athletes as counselors in camps or clinics, subject to the following conditions: *(Revised: 1/11/94, 1/10/95)*

- (a) The student-athlete shall not participate in organized practice activities other than during the institution's playing season in the sport (see Bylaw 17.1.1); and
- (b) The member institution's director of athletics must give prior approval to the student-athlete's employment arrangement. *(Revised: 1/11/89)*

13.13.2.2 High-School, Preparatory School or Two-Year College Coaches

13.13.2.2.1 General Rule. A member institution (or employees of its athletics department) may employ a high-school, preparatory school or two-year college coach at its camp or clinic, provided: *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

- (a) The coach receives compensation that is commensurate with the going rate for camp counselors of similar teaching ability and camp experience; and
- (b) The coach is not paid on the basis of the value the coach may have for the employer because of the coach's reputation or contact with prospects. *(Adopted: 1/11/89)*

13.13.2.2.2 Prohibited Compensation. A member institution may not compensate or reimburse a high-school, preparatory school or two-year college coach based on the number of campers the coach sends to the camp.

13.13.2.3 Athletics Staff Members. A member institution's athletics staff member may be involved in sports camps or clinics unless otherwise prohibited in this section.

13.13.2.3.1 Camp/Clinic Providing Recruiting or Scouting Service. No athletics department staff member may be employed (either on a salaried or a volunteer basis) in any capacity by a camp or clinic established, sponsored or conducted by an individual or organization that provides recruiting or scouting services concerning prospects. This provision does not prohibit an athletics department staff member from participating in an officiating camp where participants officiate for, but are not otherwise involved in, a scouting services camp. *(Adopted: 1/11/89, Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/92)*

13.13.3 FCA Camps and Conferences, NYSP and YES Clinics. Camps, clinics and conferences conducted by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes or as part of the National Youth Sports Program (NYSP) and Youth Education through Sports (YES) program are exempt from NCAA restrictions on camps and clinics. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

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13.13.4 Privately Owned Camp. An institution's athletics department personnel may not serve in any capacity (e.g., guest lecturer, consultant) in a privately owned camp, clinic or coaching school in which a high-school, preparatory school or two-year college athletics award winner is employed. (*Revised: 1/10/91, 1/11/94, 1/10/95*)

13.13.4.1 Payment of Expenses. It is not permissible for a representative of an institution's athletics interests to pay a prospect's expenses to attend a privately owned sports camp, clinic or coaching school.

13.13.4.2 Advertisements. Restrictions related to the advertising of private camps or clinics involving student-athletes are set forth in Bylaw 12.5.1.8.

13.14 HIGH-SCHOOL ALL-STAR GAMES

13.14.1 Coach Involvement. A member institution shall not permit any coach or athletics department staff member directly involved in the recruiting of student-athletes to participate (directly or indirectly) in the management, coaching, officiating, supervision, promotion or player selection of any all-star team or contest involving interscholastic players or those who, during the previous school year, were members of high-school athletics teams.

13.14.1.1 Previous Contractual Agreement. If a coach has made a contractual commitment to coach in a high-school all-star game before being employed by a member institution and then becomes a member of the institution's staff before the game is held, the coach shall be obligated to observe this provision and disassociate himself or herself from the all-star game.

13.14.2 Use of Institutional Facilities. A member institution's facilities shall not be made available for a high-school all-star game unless the provisions of Bylaw 13.12.3.3 are met (also see Bylaw 30.2.1.4).

13.14.3 Use of Institutional Equipment. It is not permissible for an institution to provide its athletics equipment to a prospect (e.g., for use in a high-school all-star game).

13.15 USE OF RECRUITING FUNDS

13.15.1 Institutional Control. All funds for the recruiting of prospects shall be deposited with the member institution, which shall be exclusively and entirely responsible for the manner in which such funds are expended.

13.15.2 Visiting a Prospect. A member institution's athletics department staff member may visit a prospect or the prospect's relatives or legal guardian(s) at any location for recruiting purposes. However, on any such visit, the staff member may not expend any funds other than the amount necessary for his or her own personal expenses.

13.15.3 Recruiting Services

13.15.3.1 Published Recruiting Services. An institution may subscribe to a regularly published scouting service involving prospects, provided this service is made available to all institutions desiring to subscribe and at the same fee rate for all subscribers.

13.15.3.2 Video Services. Member institutions are permitted to use video services so long as only regularly scheduled (regular season) high-school or two-year college contests are involved. The institution may not contract with the service in advance to have a particular contest videotaped, and the service must be available to all institutions at the same cost. Off-campus observation of a prospect on a videotape made available by a scouting service is considered an evaluation activity and is subject to applicable evaluation regulations. (*Revised: 1/13/98*)

13.15.4 Slush Funds. An institution shall not permit any outside organization, agency or group of individuals to use, administer or expend funds for recruiting prospects, including the transportation and entertainment of, and the giving of gifts or services to, prospects or their relatives, legal guardian(s) or friends.

13.15.4.1 Pooled Resources. The pooling of resources for recruiting purposes by two or more persons shall constitute such a slush fund. However, this provision shall not apply to persons on whom a prospect may be naturally or legally dependent.

13.15.4.2 Company Funds. The use of a company's funds to pay the expenses incurred in transporting a prospect to the campus constitutes the use of pooled resources.

13.15.5 Alumni Organizations. Bona fide alumni organizations of an institution may sponsor luncheons, teas or dinners at which prospective students (athletes and nonathletes) of that immediate locale are guests. A member institution's area alumni organization may be considered a bona fide part of that institution, provided such an organization is accredited by the chief executive officer of the institution and meets these additional terms and conditions:

- (a) A staff member of the institution periodically shall inspect the financial records of the alumni organization and certify that the expenditures comply with the rules and regulations of the NCAA and the conference(s), if any, of which the institution is a member; and

- (b) A club official shall be designated by the chief executive officer as the institution's official agent in the administration of the club's funds. The club official shall file regular reports to the institution relating the manner in which the club funds have been spent in the recruiting of student-athletes.

13.15.5.1 Subject to NCAA Rules. When an alumni organization is certified by the chief executive officer as being a bona fide part of the institution, said organization becomes subject to all of the limitations placed upon the member institution by NCAA legislation. A violation of such legislation by any member of the alumni organization shall be a violation by the member institution.

13.16 PRECOLLEGE EXPENSES

13.16.1 Prohibited Expenses. An institution or a representative of its athletics interests shall not offer, provide or arrange financial assistance, directly or indirectly, to pay (in whole or in part) the costs of the prospect's educational or other expenses for any period before his or her enrollment or so the prospect can obtain a postgraduate education.

13.16.1.1 Extent of Prohibition. The provisions of Bylaw 13.16.1 apply to all prospects, including those who have signed a National Letter of Intent or an institutional offer of admission or written tender of financial assistance.

13.16.1.2 Fund-Raising for High-School Athletics Program. An institution may not provide funding, directly or through paid advertisements, to benefit a high-school athletics program. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

13.16.1.2.1 Involvement by Local Representatives of Institution's Athletics Interests. A representative of an institution's athletics interests may provide funding to benefit a high-school athletics program located in the community in which the athletics representative resides, provided: (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

- (a) The representative acts independently of the institution;
- (b) The funds are distributed through channels established by the high school or the organization conducting the fund-raising activity; and
- (c) The funds are not earmarked directly for a specific prospect.

13.16.1.3 College Use of High-School Facility. An institution may not contribute to a high school or its athletics booster club any funds realized from an athletics contest played or a practice held at a high-school facility, except actual and necessary expenses for rental of the facility.

13.16.1.4 High-School Contest in Conjunction with College Competition. An institution shall be permitted to host high-school contests in all sports held in conjunction with intercollegiate contests as specified in Bylaw 13.12.1.3. A high-school contest held in conjunction with an institution's intercollegiate contest shall be governed by the following: (*Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/95*)

- (a) It shall be regularly scheduled and approved by the appropriate state high-school authority;
- (b) The member institution shall not provide the high school with any financial compensation, including transportation expenses or a guarantee or percentage of the income realized from the contest; and
- (c) The only expenses the member institution may incur are the operating and maintenance costs associated with its facility's use for the high-school contest.

13.16.1.5 Donation of Equipment

13.16.1.5.1 Athletics Equipment. A member institution may not provide athletics equipment to a high school. However, a member institution is permitted to provide athletics equipment to bona fide youth organizations (e.g., the YMCA, a boy scout troop, a summer recreation league) that may consist of some prospects, provided the issuance of equipment is in accordance with the institution's regular policy regarding the discarding of equipment. Further, only those organizations within a 30-mile radius of the campus may be provided such equipment by the institution.

13.16.1.5.1.1 Exception—Women's Rowing. An institution may loan rowing equipment to a high school's or junior club program's women's team on an issuance and retrieval basis and may permit high schools' and junior club programs' women's teams to use its rowing facilities for practice and/or competition. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

13.16.1.5.1.2 Donation of Used Athletics Equipment to Foundation. An institution may donate used athletics equipment to a nonprofit foundation established to distribute such equipment to high schools, provided the request for such donations is initiated by the foundation and the institutions have no part in selecting the high schools that are to receive the equipment. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

13.16.1.5.2 Nonathletics Equipment. A member institution may provide nonathletics equipment

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(e.g., a computer) to a high school, provided there is no athletics department involvement and the equipment is not used to benefit only the high school's athletics program. (*Adopted: 1/10/91*)

13.16.1.6 Ticket Sales. It is not permissible for a member institution to compensate a high school, preparatory school or two-year college for selling tickets to the institution's athletics contests. Specifically, the member institution may not provide such forms of compensation as a guarantee, a percentage of the income realized from the sale of the tickets or any other form of commission for providing such services.

13.16.2 Permissible Expenses

13.16.2.1 ACT and SAT Scores. An institution may pay a fee required by the appropriate testing agency to obtain a prospect's official ACT or SAT scores. (*Adopted: 1/10/90*)

13.16.2.2 Collect and Toll-Free Telephone Calls. Institutional staff members may accept collect telephone calls and may use a toll-free (800/888) number to receive telephone calls placed by prospects, prospects' parents or legal guardians at any time. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 7/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92*)

13.16.2.3 Institution Providing Items to Athletics Youth Groups for Fund Raising. An institution may provide items to assist in the fund-raising efforts of athletics youth groups composed of individuals who have not started classes for the ninth grade without causing such individuals to become prospective student-athletes per Bylaw 13.02.8. (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

FIGURE 13-1**Men's Basketball Recruiting Calendar****June 1, 2000 - June 14, 2001****(See Bylaw 30.11.3 for men's basketball calendar formula)**

The dates in this calendar reflect the application of Bylaw 30.11 at the time of publication but are subject to change per Constitution 5.2.3.1 or if certain dates (e.g., National Letter of Intent signing dates) are altered.

(a) June 1, 2000, through June 14, 2000:	Quiet Period
(b) June 15, 2000, through August 1, 2000:	Evaluation Period
(c) August 2, 2000, through September 6, 2000:	Quiet Period
(d) September 7, 2000, through October 14, 2000:	Contact Period
(e) October 15, 2000, to the date of the prospect's initial high-school or two-year college contest:	Quiet Period
(f) November 6, 2000 (7 a.m.), through November 8, 2000 (7 a.m.):	Dead Period
(g) The period between the prospect's initial and final high-school or two-year college contests:	Evaluation Period
(h) March 1, 2001, through May 14, 2001 [except for (1) and (2) below]:	Contact Period
(1) March 29, 2001, through April 3, 2001 (noon):	Dead Period
(2) April 9, 2001 (7 a.m.), through April 11, 2001 (7 a.m.):	Dead Period
(i) During any high-school all-star game that occurs within the state in which the member institution is located:	Evaluation Period
(j) May 15, 2001, through June 14, 2001, and all other dates:	Quiet Period

FIGURE 13-2**Women's Basketball Recruiting Calendar****June 1, 2000 - June 14, 2001****(See Bylaw 30.11.4 for women's basketball calendar formula)**

The dates in this calendar reflect the application of Bylaw 30.11 at the time of publication but are subject to change per Constitution 5.2.3.1 or if certain dates (e.g., National Letter of Intent signing dates) are altered.

(a) June 1, 2000, through June 14, 2000:	Quiet Period
(b) June 15, 2000, through August 1, 2000:	Evaluation Period
(c) August 2, 2000, through September 6, 2000:	Quiet Period
(d) September 7, 2000, through October 14, 2000:	Contact Period
(e) October 15, 2000, to the date of the prospect's initial high-school or two-year college contest:	Quiet Period
(f) November 6, 2000 (7 a.m.), through November 8, 2000 (7 a.m.):	Dead Period
(g) The period between the prospect's initial and final high-school or two-year college contests:	Evaluation Period
(h) March 1, 2001, through May 14, 2001 [except for (1) below]:	Contact Period
(1) April 9, 2001 (7 a.m.), through April 11, 2001 (7 a.m.):	Dead Period
(i) During any high-school all-star game that occurs within the state in which the member institution is located:	Evaluation Period
(j) May 15, 2001, through June 14, 2001, and all other dates:	Quiet Period

Exception

Evaluation shall be permissible during any sanctioned Amateur Athletic Union women's competition occurring between May 18 and June 14.

FIGURE 13-3

Football Recruiting Calendar

March 7, 2000 - May 31, 2001

(See 30.11.6 for football calendar formula)

The dates in this calendar reflect the application of Bylaw 30.11 at the time of publication of this Manual but are subject to change per Constitution 5.2.3.1 or if certain dates (e.g., National Letter of Intent signing date) are altered.

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| (a) March 7, 2000, through April 30, 2000 [except for (1) below]: | Quiet Period |
| (1) During any high-school all-star game that occurs within the state in which the member institution is located: | Evaluation Period |
| (b) May 1, 2000, through May 31, 2000: | Evaluation Period |
| (c) June 1, 2000, to the beginning of the prospect's high-school or two-year college football season: | Quiet Period |
| (d) During the prospect's high-school or two-year college football season: | Evaluation Period |
| (e) November 1, 2000, through November 30, 2000 [except for (1) below]: | Evaluation Period |
| (1) For two-year college prospects, the conclusion of the prospect's two-year college football season through November 30: | Contact Period |
| (f) December 1, 2000, through March 9, 2001 [except for (1) and (2) below]: | Contact Period |
| (1) December 18, 2000 (7 a.m.), through December 20, 2000 (7 a.m.), for two-year college prospects and their educational institutions: | Dead Period |
| (2) February 5, 2001 (7 a.m.), through February 7, 2001 (7 a.m.): | Dead Period |
| (g) March 10, 2001, through April 30, 2001 [except for (1) below]: | Quiet Period |
| (1) During any high-school all-star game that occurs within the state in which the member institution is located: | Evaluation Period |
| (h) May 1, 2001, through May 31, 2001: | Evaluation Period |
| (i) The following is an exception to the Division II football calendar: Authorized coaching staff members may evaluate a high school football all-star game any time of the year, provided the game occurs within the state in which the member institution is located. | |
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FIGURE 13-4**Dead Periods in Sports Other than Football and Basketball****April 1, 2000 - May 31, 2001****(See Bylaw 30.11 for complete listing of recruiting calendars)****(Note: During the dead period immediately preceding the initial National Letter of Intent signing date), the National Letter of Intent may not be hand-delivered; it must be mailed.)**

Division II Women's Volleyball	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> February 5, 2001, at 7 a.m. through February 7, 2001, at 7 a.m. (during the 48 hours before 7 a.m. on the initial date for the signing of the National Letter of Intent).
Division II Field Hockey, Soccer and Men's Water Polo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> February 5, 2001, at 7 a.m. through February 7, 2001, at 7 a.m. (during the 48 hours before 7 a.m. on the initial date for the spring signing of the National Letter of Intent).
All Other Division II Sports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> April 3, 2000, at 7 a.m. through April 5, 2000, at 7 a.m. (during the 48 hours before 7 a.m. on the initial date for the spring signing of the National Letter of Intent). November 6, 2000, at 7 a.m. through November 8, 2000, at 7 a.m. (during the 48 hours before 7 a.m. on the initial date for the spring signing of the National Letter of Intent). April 9, 2001, at 7 a.m. through April 11, 2001, at 7 a.m. (during the 48 hours before 7 a.m. on the initial date for the spring signing of the National Letter of Intent).
Exception—U.S. Diving National Championships (Bylaw 30.11.7.1.1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> When the dead period for recruiting occurs during the U.S. Diving National Championships, it shall be permissible to observe prospects participating in that event.

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14.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

14.01.1 Institutional Responsibility. An institution shall not permit a student-athlete to represent it in intercollegiate athletics competition, unless the student-athlete meets all applicable eligibility requirements.

14.01.2 Academic Status. To be eligible to represent an institution in intercollegiate athletics competition, a student-athlete shall be enrolled in at least a minimum full-time program of studies, be in good academic standing and maintain satisfactory progress toward a baccalaureate or equivalent degree. A waiver of the minimum full-time enrollment requirement may be granted for a student enrolled in the final term of the baccalaureate program (see Bylaw 14.1.6.2.1.3). Also, a student may represent the institution while enrolled as a graduate or professional student or while enrolled and seeking a second baccalaureate degree at the same institution (see Bylaw 14.1.7).

14.01.2.1 Good Academic Standing. To be eligible to represent an institution in intercollegiate athletics competition, a student-athlete shall be in good academic standing as determined by the academic authorities who determine the meaning of such phrases for all students of the institution, subject to controlling legislation of the conference(s) or similar association of which the institution is a member. (Note: The restrictions, exceptions and waivers set forth in Bylaws 14.4.3.3.4, 14.4.3.3.5 and 14.4.3.6 also apply to the general requirement for good academic standing and satisfactory progress.)

14.01.3 Compliance with Other NCAA and Conference Legislation. To be eligible to represent an institution in intercollegiate athletics competition, a student-athlete shall be in compliance with all applicable provisions of the constitution and bylaws of the Association and all rules and regulations of the institution and the conference(s), if any, of which the institution is a member. Specific attention is called to legislation affecting eligibility in the following areas.

14.01.3.1 Amateurism. A student-athlete shall not be eligible for participation in an intercollegiate sport, if the individual takes or has taken pay, or has accepted the promise of pay in any form, for participation in that sport, or if the individual has violated any of the other regulations related to amateurism set forth in Bylaw 12.

14.01.3.2 Awards, Benefits and Expenses. Receipt by a student-athlete of nonpermissible awards, extra benefits, or excessive or improper expenses not authorized by NCAA legislation violates the Association's amateurism principle and renders the student-athlete ineligible for athletics participation in the sport for which the improper award, benefit or expense was received (see Bylaw 16).

14.01.3.3 Ethical Conduct. A prospective or enrolled student-athlete who is found to have engaged in unethical conduct (see Bylaw 10.1) shall be ineligible for intercollegiate competition in all sports. Unethical conduct consists of, but is not limited to: (*Revised: 1/10/90*)

- (a) Fraudulence in connection with entrance or placement examinations;
- (b) Engaging in any athletics competition under an assumed name or with intent otherwise to deceive;
- (c) Dishonesty in evading or violating NCAA regulations; or
- (d) Knowingly furnishing the NCAA or the individual's institution false or misleading information

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concerning the student's involvement in or knowledge of matters relevant to a possible violation of NCAA regulations [see Bylaw 10.1-(d)]. (*Revised: 1/10/90*)

14.01.3.4 Financial Aid. A student-athlete who receives financial assistance other than that authorized by the Association shall not be eligible for intercollegiate athletics competition (see Bylaw 15).

14.01.3.5 Recruitment. Solicitation of a student-athlete's enrollment by the certifying institution or any representative of its athletics interests in violation of the Association's legislation shall render the student-athlete ineligible to represent that institution in intercollegiate athletics. A student-athlete is responsible during his or her recruitment for involvement in a violation of NCAA regulations, and the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee may restore the eligibility of a student involved in such violation only when circumstances clearly warrant restoration. The eligibility of a student-athlete involved in a major violation shall not be restored other than through an exception authorized by the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee in a unique case on the basis of specifically stated reasons (see Bylaw 13).

14.01.4 Student-Athlete Participating in Division III Sport While Enrolled in Division II Institution. A student-athlete who participated in a sport classified in Division III while enrolled in a Division II institution before August 1, 1993, and who remains enrolled in that institution, shall remain subject to the applicable Division III eligibility legislation. (*Adopted: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93*)

14.01.5 Compliance with Legislation for Emerging Sports

14.01.5.1 Seasons of Competition. Beginning with the 1995-96 academic year, a member institution sponsoring an emerging sport for women (see Bylaw 20.02.5) shall comply fully in that program with all applicable seasons-of-competition legislation set forth in Bylaw 14.2. (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

14.01.5.2 Initial, Continuing and General Eligibility Requirements. Beginning with the 1996-97 academic year, a member institution sponsoring an emerging sport for women shall comply fully in that program with all applicable initial, continuing and general eligibility legislation set forth in Bylaw 14, effective for student-athletes first entering the collegiate institution on or after August 1, 1996. (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

14.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

14.02.1 Branch School. A branch school is an educational institution that usually offers two years of college work, does not award degrees independently, and is wholly controlled and operated by a four-year, degree-granting parent institution.

14.02.2 Church Mission, Official. An official church mission is one that is required by the church of which the individual is a member and that results in the individual's being unable to attend a collegiate institution during the period of the mission.

14.02.3 Collegiate Institution. A collegiate institution (for purposes of NCAA legislation) is an institution of higher education that:

- (a) Is listed as a college and coded with an H in the United States Department of Education's Directory of Postsecondary Institutions; or (*Revised: 1/10/90*)
- (b) Conducts an intercollegiate athletics program, even though not listed and/or coded with an H in the Directory of Postsecondary Institutions; or
- (c) Is located in a foreign country.

14.02.4 Exception. An exception is the granting of relief from the application of a specific regulation (e.g., the residence requirement for a transfer student to become eligible for competition). Formal approval by the Management Council or an NCAA committee is not required. The action granting the exception may be taken solely by the certifying institution, based on evidence that the conditions on which the exception is authorized have been met (see Bylaw 14.02.12).

14.02.5 Good Academic Standing and Satisfactory Progress. The phrases "good academic standing" and "satisfactory progress" are to be interpreted at each member institution by the academic officials who determine the meaning and application of such phrases for all students, subject to the controlling regulations of the institution; the conference(s) (or similar associations), if any, of which the institution is a member, and applicable NCAA legislation (see Bylaw 14.4).

14.02.6 Intercollegiate Competition. Intercollegiate competition occurs when a student-athlete in either a two-year or a four-year collegiate institution: (*Revised: 1/10/95*)

- (a) Represents the institution in any contest against outside competition, regardless of how the competition is classified (e.g., scrimmage, exhibition or joint practice session with another institution's team) or whether the student is enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies; (*Revised: 1/10/91*)
- (b) Competes in the uniform of the institution or, during the academic year, uses any apparel (excluding

apparel no longer used by the institution) or equipment received from the institution that includes institutional identification (see Bylaw 16.12.1.9 for regulations governing the use of equipment during the summer); or (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/11/94*)

- (c) Competes and receives expenses (e.g., transportation, meals, room or entry fees) from the institution for the competition.

14.02.6.1 Exempted Events. Participation in events listed in Bylaws 16.8.1.3-(a) and (b) is exempted from the application of this legislation. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

14.02.6.2 Exemption—Tryouts. The participation of student-athletes in contests against prospective student-athletes trying out at member institutions (in accordance with Bylaw 13.12.2.1) shall be exempted from the application of this legislation. (*Adopted: 1/10/91*)

14.02.7 National Team. A national team is one selected, organized and sponsored by the appropriate national governing bodies of the United States Olympic Committee (or, for student-athletes representing another nation, the equivalent organization of that nation, or, for student-athletes competing in a non-Olympic sport, the equivalent organization of that sport). The selection for such a team shall be made on a national qualification basis, either through a defined selective process or by actual tryouts, publicly announced in advance. In addition, the international competition in question shall require that the entrants officially represent their respective nations, although it is not necessary to require team scoring by nation.

14.02.8 Participation in Intercollegiate Athletics. Participation in intercollegiate athletics occurs when a student-athlete either practices in a sport (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1) or competes in a sport, as defined in Bylaw 14.02.6. Eligibility rules for competition may differ from those for practice.

14.02.9 Qualification Status

14.02.9.1 Qualifier. A qualifier is a student who, for purposes of determining eligibility for financial aid, practice and competition in Divisions I and II institutions, has met all of the following requirements (see Bylaw 14.3):

- (a) Graduation from high school;
- (b) Successful completion of a required core curriculum consisting of a minimum number of courses in specified subjects;
- (c) Specified minimum grade-point average in the core curriculum; and
- (d) Specified minimum SAT or ACT score.

14.02.9.2 Partial Qualifier. A partial qualifier is a student who does not meet the requirements for a qualifier but who, at the time of graduation from high school, presents one of the following academic requirements (see Bylaw 14.3): (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

- (a) Successful completion of a required core curriculum consisting of a minimum number of courses and a specified minimum grade-point average in the core curriculum; or
- (b) Specified minimum SAT or ACT score.

14.02.9.3 Nonqualifier. A nonqualifier is a student who has not graduated from high school or who, at the time specified in the regulation (see Bylaw 14.3), presented neither the core-curriculum grade-point average and SAT/ACT score required for a qualifier.

14.02.10 Residence. Residence is enrollment in a full-time academic program (as defined by the institution) at a collegiate institution during a regular term of an academic year. To satisfy an academic year of residence, a student shall meet the requirements of Bylaw 14.5.1.2. A summer term may not be used to satisfy a term of residence.

14.02.11 Transfer Student. A transfer student, in the application of NCAA eligibility requirements, is a student who transfers from any collegiate institution after having met any one of the conditions set forth in Bylaw 14.5.2.

14.02.12 Waiver. A waiver is an action exempting an individual or institution from the application of a specific regulation. A waiver requires formal approval (e.g., by the Management Council, an NCAA committee or a conference, as specified in the legislation) based on evidence of compliance with the specified conditions or criteria under which the waiver is authorized (see Bylaw 14.02.4).

14.1 GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

14.1.1 Postseason and Regular-Season Competition. To be eligible for regular-season competition, NCAA championships, and for postseason football bowl games sanctioned by the Association, the student-athlete shall meet all of the Association's general eligibility requirements and any additional eligibility requirements adopted by the applicable membership division.

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14.1.1.1 Ineligibility for Use of Banned Drugs. A student-athlete who is found to have used a substance on the list of banned drugs, as set forth in Bylaw 31.2.3.1, shall be declared ineligible for further participation in postseason and regular-season competition in accordance with the ineligibility provisions in Bylaw 18.4.1.5.1. *(Adopted: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/90)*

14.1.2 Validity of Academic Credentials. As a condition and obligation of membership, it is the responsibility of a member institution to determine the validity of the information on which the eligibility of a student-athlete is based. Therefore, it is the responsibility of a member institution to determine whether a transcript is valid for purposes of applying appropriate NCAA legislation to the eligibility of a student-athlete when the institution receives notification, or otherwise has cause to believe, that a student-athlete's high-school, preparatory school or two-year college transcript is not valid.

14.1.2.1 Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse. An institution shall use an initial-eligibility clearinghouse approved by the Executive Committee to determine the validity of the information on which the initial eligibility of a student-athlete is based. A Division I institution may certify the initial eligibility of a student-athlete who graduated from high school before the spring term of 1986. A Division II institution may certify the initial eligibility of a student-athlete who graduated from high school before the spring term of 1988. *(Adopted: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/94 for student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/94, Revised: 1/10/95)*

14.1.3 Student-Athlete Statement

14.1.3.1 Content and Purpose. Before participation in intercollegiate competition each academic year, a student-athlete shall sign a statement in a form prescribed by the Management Council in which the student athlete submits information related to eligibility, recruitment, financial aid, amateur status, previous positive drug tests administered by any other athletics organization and involvement in organized gambling activities related to intercollegiate or professional athletics competition under the Association's governing legislation. Failure to complete and sign the statement shall result in the student-athlete's ineligibility for participation in all intercollegiate competition. Violations of this bylaw do not affect a student-athlete's eligibility if the violation occurred due to an institutional administrative error or oversight and the student-athlete subsequently signs the form; however, the violation shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1. *(Revised: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92, Revised: 1/14/97, 2/19/97)*

14.1.3.2 Administration. The institution shall administer this form individually to each student-athlete before the individual's participation in intercollegiate competition each year. Details about the content, administration and disposition of the statement are set forth in Bylaw 30.12.

* **14.1.3.3 Institutional Responsibility—Notification of Positive Test.** The institution shall promptly notify in writing the NCAA's director of sports sciences regarding a student-athlete's disclosure of a previous positive test for banned substances administered by any other athletics organization. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

14.1.4 Drug-Testing Consent Form

14.1.4.1 Content and Purpose. Each academic year a student-athlete shall sign a form prescribed by the Management Council in which the student consents to be tested for the use of drugs prohibited by NCAA legislation. Failure to complete and sign the consent form before practice or competition in Divisions I and II sports in which the Association conducts year-round drug testing and before competition in all other sports in Divisions I, II and III shall result in the student-athlete's ineligibility for participation (i.e., practice and competition) in all intercollegiate athletics (see also Constitution 3.2.4.6). Violations of this bylaw do not affect a student-athlete's eligibility, if the violation occurred due to an institutional administrative error or oversight, and the student-athlete subsequently signs the form; however, the violation shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1. *(Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92, Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97)*

14.1.4.1.1 Exception—Nonrecruited Student-Athlete. A nonrecruited student-athlete in sports other than those involved in the Association's year-round drug-testing program may participate in preseason practice activities before the team's first contest/date of competition without signing the drug-testing consent form. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/10/95)*

14.1.4.2 Administration. The institution shall administer the consent form individually to each student-athlete (including recruited partial qualifiers and nonqualifiers) each academic year. Details about the content, administration and disposition of the consent form are set forth in Bylaw 30.5. *(Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92)*

14.1.5 Admission and Enrollment

14.1.5.1 Admission. A student-athlete shall not represent an institution in intercollegiate athletics competition, unless the student has been admitted as a regularly enrolled, degree-seeking student in accordance with the regular, published entrance requirements of that institution.

14.1.5.1.1 Special Admission. A student-athlete may be admitted under a special exception to

the institution's normal entrance requirements, if the discretionary authority of the chief executive officer (or designated admissions officer or committee) to grant such exceptions is set forth in an official document published by the university (e.g., official catalog) that describes the institution's admissions requirements.

14.1.6 Full-Time Enrollment

14.1.6.1 Requirement for Practice. To be eligible to participate in organized practice sessions, a student-athlete shall be enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies leading to a baccalaureate or equivalent degree as defined by the regulations of the certifying institution. A violation of this bylaw shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1; however, it shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility. (*Revised: 1/10/92, 1/11/00*)

14.1.6.1.1 Practice before Initial Enrollment. A student-athlete may practice during the official vacation period immediately before initial enrollment, provided the student has been accepted by the institution for enrollment in a regular, full-time program of studies at the time of the individual's initial participation; is no longer enrolled in the previous educational institution; and is eligible under all institutional and NCAA requirements.

14.1.6.1.2 Drop/Add Course. A student-athlete no longer shall be considered enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies (after dropping a course that places the student below full-time status) when the dropped course becomes official in accordance with procedures determined by the institution for all students. A student who is adding a course to reach full-time status shall become eligible for practice and competition once the course has been approved by the appropriate department head (or designated representative) and submitted to the registrar. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

14.1.6.1.3 Exception, Final Semester/Quarter. A student-athlete with athletics eligibility remaining may participate in organized practice sessions while enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies, provided the student is enrolled in the final semester or quarter of the baccalaureate program and the institution certifies that the student is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete the degree requirements, as determined by the faculty of the institution.

14.1.6.1.4 Withdrawal or Dismissal. A student-athlete who withdraws or is dismissed from an institution is considered to be a prospective student-athlete eligible for recruitment by other NCAA member institutions and may not continue to practice with the original institution's team.

14.1.6.1.5 Exception—Practice during First Week of Class. A student-athlete may practice, but may not compete, during the institution's first five days of classes, if the student-athlete is enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies, provided the student is otherwise eligible under all institutional, conference and NCAA requirements. (*Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95*)

14.1.6.1.6 Waiver—United States Olympic Committee/National Governing Body. A student with eligibility remaining who is not enrolled or who is enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies or a former student-athlete may participate on a regular basis in organized practice sessions, provided the following conditions are met: (*Adopted: 1/9/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

- (a) The practice sessions take place only at the institution(s) the individual previously attended as an undergraduate or currently attends or previously attended as a graduate student; (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- (b) The practice sessions involve an individual sport, rowing or synchronized swimming;
- (c) The United States Olympic Committee or national governing body (NGB) in the sport has recommended the individual's participation;
- (d) The individual does not participate in any coaching activities unless the institution designates the individual in the appropriate coaching limits; and
- (e) In the case of a student-athlete with NCAA eligibility remaining in the sport, such participation occurs only during the academic year immediately before the Olympic Games.

14.1.6.1.6.1 Administration. This waiver shall be approved by the conference members of the Association or, in the case of independent institutions, by the Management Council. A member institution shall submit a waiver request that includes documentation that demonstrates that the conditions of Bylaw 14.1.6.1.6 have been met for each individual who wishes to participate in the institution's practice sessions. (*Adopted: 1/9/96*)

14.1.6.2 Requirement for Competition. To be eligible for competition, a student-athlete shall be enrolled in at least a minimum full-time program of studies leading to a baccalaureate or equivalent degree as defined by the institution, which shall not be less than 12 semester or quarter hours.

14.1.6.2.1 Exceptions. The following exceptions to the minimum 12-semester- or 12-quarter-hour enrollment are permitted:

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14.1.6.2.1.1 Competition before Initial Enrollment. A student-athlete may compete during the official vacation period immediately before initial enrollment, provided the student has been accepted by the institution for enrollment in a regular, full-time program of studies at the time of the individual's initial participation; is no longer enrolled in the previous educational institution; and is eligible under all institutional and NCAA requirements.

14.1.6.2.1.2 Eligibility between Terms. To be eligible for competition that takes place between terms, the student-athlete shall:

- (a) Have been registered for the required minimum full-time load (see Bylaw 14.1.6.2.2) at the conclusion of the term immediately before the date of competition, if the student is continuing enrollment; or
- (b) Be accepted for enrollment as a regular full-time student for the regular term immediately after the date of competition, if the student is either continuing enrollment or beginning enrollment (also see Bylaw 14.11). (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

14.1.6.2.1.3 Final Semester/Quarter. A student-athlete may compete while enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies, provided the student is enrolled in the final semester or quarter of the baccalaureate program and the institution certifies that the student is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete degree requirements. The student granted eligibility under this provision shall be eligible for any NCAA championship, and in Division I, for any postseason certified bowl game or National Invitation Tournament that begins within 60 days after said semester or quarter, provided the student has not exhausted the five years or 10 semesters for completion of the individual's four seasons of eligibility (see Bylaw 14.2). Thereafter, the student shall forfeit eligibility in all sports, unless the student completes all degree requirements during that semester or quarter and is eligible to receive the baccalaureate diploma on the institution's next degree-granting date. The Management Council, or a committee designated by the Management Council to act for it, may waive the 60-day requirement when an NCAA championship, postseason certified bowl game or National Invitation Tournament is conducted at the conclusion of the traditional playing season but begins more than 60 days after the end of said term. (*Revised: 1/10/92, 1/16/93, 1/10/95*)

14.1.6.2.1.4 Graduate Program. A student may compete while enrolled in a full-time graduate program as defined by the institution, but in any event not fewer than eight hours (see Bylaw 14.1.7).

14.1.6.2.2 Full-Time Program—12-Hour Requirement. At the time of competition, a student-athlete shall be enrolled in not less than 12-semester or -quarter hours, regardless of the institution's definition of a minimum full-time program of studies.

14.1.6.2.2.1 Waivers. Waivers may be granted to the minimum 12-semester or 12-quarter-hour enrollment as follows:

14.1.6.2.2.1.1 Nontraditional Academic Calendars or Cooperative Education Programs. A student-athlete in an institution, that determines enrollment hours on a basis other than traditional semester or quarter hours or that conducts a cooperative educational program, may compete, if at the time of competition the student is enrolled for a comparable minimum academic load as determined by the Academic Requirements Committee.

14.1.6.2.2.1.2 Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup or World University Games. The Academic Requirements Committee may waive the minimum full-time enrollment requirement for any participant in the Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup or World University Games who, because of such participation, may lose eligibility for practice and competition in any sport. (*Revised: 1/10/91, 1/9/96*)

14.1.6.2.2.1.3 Learning-Disabled and Handicapped Student-Athletes. The NCAA Academic Requirements Committee may waive the 12-hour requirement for a learning-disabled or handicapped student-athlete when objective evidence demonstrates that an institution defines full-time enrollment for that student-athlete to be less than 12 hours to accommodate for the student's learning disability or handicap. (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

14.1.6.2.3 Noncredit Work. Hours of noncredit work (including remedial courses) may be counted toward fulfilling the minimum full-time enrollment requirement, provided the noncredit work is given the same academic load value and is considered by the institution to be a requirement for the degree currently being pursued by the student.

14.1.6.2.4 Concurrent Courses at Two Institutions. Courses taken concurrently at a second institution may be counted toward meeting the minimum 12-hour enrollment requirement, provided:

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- (a) The certifying institution officially recognizes the student's combined hours as full-time enrollment for a minimum of 12 hours; and
- (b) Courses taken at the second institution will be included on the student's transcript at the institution where the student is seeking the degree.

14.1.6.2.5 Cooperative Educational Exchange Program. A student-athlete may represent the certifying institution in intercollegiate athletics even though at the time of competition the student is enrolled in another institution in a cooperative educational exchange program, provided:

- (a) The certifying institution considers the student to be regularly enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies; and
- (b) All work is placed on the student's transcript and accepted toward his or her undergraduate degree at the certifying institution.

14.1.6.2.6 Extension Courses. A student-athlete may use a combination of hours taken in residence during a regular term and extension courses taken from the certifying institution during that term to meet the minimum 12-hour enrollment requirement, provided the institution considers enrollment in such extension courses as regular course enrollment for all students during term time. *(Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94)*

14.1.7 Graduate Student/Postbaccalaureate Participation. A student-athlete who is enrolled in a graduate or professional school of the institution he or she previously attended as an undergraduate (regardless of whether the individual has received a United States baccalaureate degree or its equivalent), a student-athlete who is enrolled and seeking a second baccalaureate or equivalent degree at the same institution, or a student-athlete who has graduated and is continuing as a full-time student at the same institution while taking course work that would lead to the equivalent of another major or degree as defined and documented by the institution, may participate in intercollegiate athletics, provided the student has eligibility remaining and such participation occurs within the applicable five-year or 10-semester period set forth in Bylaw 14.2 (see also Bylaw 14.1.6.2.1.4). *(Revised: 1/10/90, 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93)*

14.1.7.1 One-Time Transfer Exception. A graduate student who is enrolled in a graduate program or professional school of an institution other than the institution he or she previously attended as an undergraduate may participate in intercollegiate athletics, if the student fulfills the conditions of the one-time transfer exception set forth in Bylaw 14.5.5.3.11 and has eligibility remaining per Bylaw 14.2. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96 for those student-athletes who transfer to the certifying institution on or after 8/1/96)*

14.1.7.2 Foreign Student Exception. The remaining eligibility of a student who has received a foreign postsecondary degree that is identified as a "baccalaureate" but is not equivalent to a United States baccalaureate and who is entering an undergraduate program must be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the Association's Academic Requirements Committee and its Foreign Student Records Consultants. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

14.1.7.3 NCAA Championship after Last Term of Eligibility. A student-athlete who is eligible during the term in which degree work is completed (or is eligible as a graduate, per Bylaw 14.1.7) remains eligible for any NCAA championship, and in Division I, for any postseason certified bowl game or National Invitation Tournament, that begins within 60 days after the end of the term in which the student completes the requirements for the degree (or graduate eligibility). The Management Council, or a committee designated by the Management Council to act for it, may waive the 60-day requirement when an NCAA championship, postseason certified bowl game or National Invitation Tournament is conducted at the conclusion of the traditional playing season but begins more than 60 days after the end of said term. *(Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95)*

14.1.8 Change in Eligibility Status. If a student-athlete's academic eligibility changes at the end of a quarter or semester, the student-athlete shall become eligible or ineligible to compete on the date his or her eligibility officially is certified by the appropriate institutional authority. In a case in which the student becomes eligible at the end of the term, the earliest date on which the student can become eligible to compete is the day after the date of the last scheduled examination listed in the institution's official calendar for the term that is ending. In a case in which the student becomes ineligible, the ineligibility shall become effective not later than the first day of classes of the following semester or quarter. In any case, if the student-athlete is academically eligible to compete at the time of the student-athlete's or the institution's first participation in an NCAA championship, he or she shall remain eligible for the remainder of the championship.

14.2 SEASONS OF COMPETITION: FIVE-YEAR/10-SEMESTER RULE

A student-athlete shall not engage in more than four seasons of intercollegiate competition in any one sport (see Bylaws 14.02.6 and 14.3.3). An institution shall not permit a student-athlete to represent it in

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intercollegiate competition unless the individual completes all of his or her seasons of participation in all sports within the time periods specified below:

14.2.1 Collegiate Enrollment Concurrent with Service Assignment. Any time in which a student athlete is enrolled for a minimum full-time load as a regular student in a collegiate institution while simultaneously on active duty in the United States military, on an official church mission or with a recognized foreign aid service of the United States government shall count against the five calendar years in which the four seasons of eligibility must be completed.

14.2.2 Ten-Semester Rule—Divisions II and III. A student-athlete shall complete his or her seasons of participation during the first 10 semesters or 15 quarters in which the student is enrolled in a collegiate institution in at least a minimum full-time program of studies, as determined by the regulations of that institution. For an institution that conducts registration other than on a traditional semester or quarter basis, the Academic Requirements Committee shall determine an equivalent enrollment period.

14.2.2.1 Use of Semester or Quarter. A student-athlete is considered to have used a semester or quarter under this rule when the student is officially registered in a collegiate institution (domestic or foreign) in a regular term of an academic year for a minimum full-time program of studies, as determined by the institution, and attends the first day of classes for that term (see Bylaw 14.2.3).

14.2.2.2 Pregnancy Exception. A member institution may approve a two-semester or three-quarter extension of this 10-semester period of eligibility for a female student-athlete for reasons of pregnancy.

14.2.2.3 Waivers. The Management Council, or a committee designated by the Management Council to act for it, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the 10-semester rule as it deems appropriate. (See Bylaw 30.6.1 for criteria.)

14.2.3 Additional Applications of the Five-Year/10-Semester Rule

14.2.3.1 Athletics Competition. Even though a student is enrolled for less than a minimum full-time program of studies at a collegiate institution, the student's five-year/10-semester period of eligibility begins if the individual represents the institution in intercollegiate athletics.

14.2.3.2 Nonrecognized College. Enrollment in a postsecondary, noncollegiate institution (e.g., technical school, seminary or business college) in the United States that is not listed as a college and coded with an H in the United States Department of Education's Directory of Postsecondary Institutions constitutes enrollment in the application of the five-year/10-semester rule only if: (*Revised: 1/10/90*)

- (a) The student is enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies at such an institution that conducts an intercollegiate athletics program; or
- (b) The student, whether enrolled for a minimum full-time program of studies or not, represents the institution in intercollegiate athletics.

14.2.3.3 Joint College/High-School Program. A student-athlete's eligibility under the five-year/10-semester rule does not begin while a student is enrolled in a collegiate institution in a joint high-school/college academic program for outstanding high-school students, in which the courses count as both high-school graduation credit and college credit, provided the student is classified as a special student, is not considered by the college to be regularly matriculated and is not eligible for the college's athletics programs. (*Revised: 1/13/98*)

14.2.3.4 Vocational Program. A student-athlete's eligibility under the five-year/10-semester rule does not begin while the student is enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies as a part of a special vocational program that combines enrollment in regular college courses and participation in vocational training courses, provided the student is not considered to be regularly matriculated by the institution, does not go through the customary registration and testing procedures required of all regular entering students and is not eligible for the institution's extracurricular activities, including athletics.

14.2.3.5 Eligibility for Practice. A student-athlete receiving institutional financial aid after having engaged in four seasons of intercollegiate competition in a sport may continue to take part in organized, institutional practice sessions in that sport without being a counter (see Bylaw 15.02.3), provided the individual has eligibility remaining under the five-year/10-semester rule.

14.2.4 Criteria for Determining Season of Eligibility

14.2.4.1 Minimum Amount of Competition. Any competition [including a scrimmage with outside competition (except for approved two-year college scrimmages per Bylaw 14.2.4.1.1)], regardless of time, during a season in an intercollegiate sport shall be counted as a season of competition in that sport. This provision is applicable to intercollegiate athletics competition conducted by a two-year or four-year collegiate institution at the varsity or subvarsity level. (*Revised: 1/11/94*)

14.2.4.1.1 Exception—Two-Year College Scrimmages. Participation in a two-year college scrimmage shall be exempt from counting as a season of competition, provided the competition meets all of the following conditions: (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

- (a) The scrimmage is approved by the two-year college;
- (b) No official score is kept;
- (c) No admission is charged;
- (d) No official time is kept;
- (e) The scrimmage is played before the two-year college's first regularly scheduled outside competition; and
- (f) The student-athlete participates in not more than two such scrimmages or dates of competition per academic year.

14.2.4.2 Track and Field and Cross Country. Cross country, indoor track and field, and outdoor track and field shall be considered separate sports. (*Revised: 1/10/90*)

14.2.4.3 Intercollegiate Competition. A student-athlete is considered to have engaged in a season of intercollegiate competition when he or she competes in an athletics event involving any one of the conditions characterizing intercollegiate competition (per Bylaw 14.02.6).

14.2.4.3.1 Organized Competition. Athletics competition shall be considered organized, if any one of the following conditions exists:

- (a) Competition is scheduled and publicized in advance;
- (b) Official score is kept;
- (c) Individual or team standings are maintained;
- (d) Official timer or game officials are used;
- (e) Admission is charged;
- (f) Teams are regularly formed or team rosters are predetermined;
- (g) Team uniforms are used;
- (h) A team is privately or commercially sponsored; or
- (i) The competition is either directly or indirectly sponsored, promoted or administered by an individual, an organization or any other agency.

14.2.4.4 Foreign-Tour Competition. A student-athlete who did not compete during the institution's season just completed and who represents the institution in a certified foreign tour after that intercollegiate season and before the start of the next academic year shall not be charged with a season of eligibility (see Bylaw 30.7.2). (*Revised: 1/12/99*)

14.2.5 Hardship Waiver. A student-athlete may be granted an additional year of competition by the conference or the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee for reasons of "hardship." Hardship is defined as an incapacity resulting from an injury or illness that has occurred under all of the following conditions:

- (a) The incapacitating injury or illness occurs in one of the four seasons of intercollegiate competition at any two-year or four-year collegiate institution; (*Revised: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92*)
- (b) The injury or illness occurs before the completion of the first half of the playing season that concludes with the NCAA championship in that sport (measured by the number of completed contests or dates of competition rather than scheduled contests or dates of competition or calendar days) and results in incapacity to compete for the remainder of that playing season; and (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- (c) The injury or illness occurs when the student-athlete has not participated in more than two contests or dates of competition (whichever is applicable to that sport) or 20 percent (whichever number is greater) of the institution's completed contests or dates of competition in his or her sport for student-athletes in Divisions I and II and three contests or dates of competition (whichever is applicable to that sport) or one-third (whichever number is greater) of the institution's completed contests or dates of competition in his or her sport for student-athletes in Division III. Only competition (excluding scrimmages and exhibition contests in Divisions I and II, but including such contests in Division III) against outside participants during the playing season that concludes with the NCAA championship, or, if so designated, during the official NCAA championship playing season in that sport (e.g., spring baseball, fall soccer), shall be countable under this limitation in calculating both the number of contests or dates of competition in which the student-athlete has participated and the number of completed contests or dates of competition during that season in the sport. (*Revised: 1/10/92, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

14.2.5.1 Administration of Hardship Waiver. The hardship waiver shall be administered by the member conferences of the Association or, in the case of an independent member institution, by the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee.

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- + **14.2.5.2 Criteria for Administration of Hardship Waiver.** The following criteria are to be employed in the administration of the hardship waiver:

14.2.5.2.1 Nature of Injury/Illness. It is not necessary for the incapacitating injury or illness to be the direct result of the student's participation in the institution's organized practice or game competition. The student-athlete may qualify for the hardship waiver as a result of any incapacitating injury or illness occurring after the individual becomes a student-athlete by reporting on call for regular squad practice or after attending the first day of classes as a full-time student at a member institution.

14.2.5.2.2 Medical Documentation. Contemporaneous medical documentation shall be submitted with any hardship-waiver request. (*Adopted: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99*)

14.2.5.2.3 First-Half-of-Season Calculation. In determining if an injury or illness occurs in the first half of the season that concludes with the NCAA championship in a sport with an odd number of contests or dates of competition, the injury or illness must have occurred before the beginning of the varsity contest or date of competition that starts the second half of the season that concludes with the NCAA championship (e.g., an injury or illness occurring at any time after the beginning of the sixth game of an 11-game football schedule would be considered to be after the first half of the institution's season and would not qualify the student-athlete for a hardship waiver). (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

14.2.5.2.4 Reinjury in Second Half of Season. A student-athlete who suffers an injury in the first half of the season that concludes with the NCAA championship, attempts to return to competition during the second half of the championship season and then is unable to participate further as a result of aggravating the original injury does not qualify for the hardship waiver.

14.2.5.2.5 Percent Calculation. The following requirements are to be met in determining the percent calculation under this waiver provision: (Note: The percent calculation requirements set forth in Bylaws 14.2.5 and 14.2.5.3.6 apply only to the waiver provisions of this section and do not apply to the maximum- and minimum-contests requirements in Bylaw 20.)

14.2.5.2.5.1 Denominator in Percent Computation. The denominator in the institution's percent calculation shall be based on the institution's number of completed varsity contests or dates of competition [see Bylaw 14.2.5-(c)] as computed for playing and practice season purposes in Bylaw 17 for the applicable sport. (Note: Exempted events in Bylaw 17 are included in the percent calculation, except as provided in Bylaw 14.2.5.3.6.3.) (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/12/99*)

14.2.5.2.5.2 Fraction in Percent Computation. Any computation of the percent limitation that results in a fractional portion of a contest or date of competition shall be rounded to the next whole number (e.g., 20 percent of a 27-game basketball schedule—5.4 games—shall be considered six games). (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

14.2.5.2.5.3 Conference Championships. A conference championship shall be counted as one contest or date of competition in determining the institution's completed contests or dates of competition in that sport, regardless of the number of days or games involved in the championship. However, for purposes of this regulation, the calculation of completed contests or dates of competition in a particular season does not include postseason competition conducted after the completion of the institution's regular-season schedule and conference tournament. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

14.2.5.2.6 Foreign-Tour Competition. A student-athlete who qualifies for a hardship for the previous academic year would use a season of competition, if the student-athlete represents the institution on a certified foreign tour during the summer-vacation period at the conclusion of that academic year. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

14.2.6 Season-of-Competition Waiver. In conjunction with a request for restoration of eligibility and any conditions imposed thereon per Bylaw 14.12, a student-athlete may be granted an additional season of competition by the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee when he or she participated in a limited amount of competition. The competition must have occurred under all of the following conditions: (*Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

- (a) As a result of a good-faith, erroneous formal declaration of eligibility by the institution's appropriate certifying authority; or
- (b) As a result of a student-athlete's good-faith, erroneous reliance upon a coaching staff member's decision to place the student-athlete into competition before the coaching staff member receiving a formal declaration of eligibility for the student-athlete from the institution's appropriate certifying authority.
 - (1) The competition occurred while the student-athlete was representing an NCAA member institution;

- (2) The competition occurred within 60 days of the date the student-athlete first reported for athletics participation;
- (3) The student-athlete did not participate in more than two events or 10 percent (whichever number is greater) of the institution's completed events in his or her sport. All competition (including a scrimmage) against outside participants shall be countable under this limitation in calculating both the number of events in which the student-athlete participated and the number of completed events during that season (both segments) in the sport;
- (4) The student-athlete was involved innocently and inadvertently in the erroneous declaration of eligibility, which permitted the student-athlete to compete while ineligible; and
- (5) The student-athlete, in the case of a coaching staff member's erroneous decision, had reason to believe he or she was eligible to participate, and the student-athlete did not contribute to the coaching staff member's erroneous decision to allow the student-athlete to participate.

14.2.6.1 Administrative Criteria. The following criteria shall be employed in the administration of the season-of-competition waiver: (*Adopted: 1/16/93*)

14.2.6.1.1 Ten-Percent Calculation. The requirements specified in Bylaw 14.2.5.3.6 shall apply to the 10-percent calculation specified in this waiver. (*Adopted: 1/16/93*)

14.3 FRESHMAN ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS—DIVISIONS I AND II

See Figures 14-1 (core-curriculum and grade-point average requirements for Division II initial eligibility), 14-2 (relationships between academic requirements, recruitment, financial aid and eligibility for high-school graduates—Division II) and 14-3 (initial eligibility—Divisions I and II) beginning on page 135.

14.3.1 Eligibility for Financial Aid, Practice and Competition. A student-athlete who enrolls in a Division II institution as an entering freshman with no previous full-time college attendance shall meet the following academic requirements, as certified by an initial-eligibility clearinghouse approved by the Executive Committee, and any applicable institutional and conference regulations, to be considered a qualifier and thus be eligible for financial aid, practice and competition during the first academic year in residence. (*Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97 for those student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/97*)

14.3.1.1 Qualifier. A qualifier is defined as one who is a high-school graduate and who presented the following minimum academic qualifications: (*Revised: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/95*)

- (a) A minimum cumulative grade-point average of 2.000 (based on a maximum 4.000) in a successfully completed core curriculum of at least 13 academic courses per Bylaw 14.3.1.2, including the following:

English	3 years
Mathematics	2 years
Natural or physical science (including at least one laboratory course if offered by the high school)	2 years
Additional courses in English, mathematics or natural or physical science	2 years
Social science	2 years
Additional academic courses [in any of the above areas or foreign language, computer science, philosophy or non doctrinal religion (e.g., comparative religion) courses]	2 years

The record of the above courses and course grades must be certified by the initial-eligibility clearinghouse using an official high-school transcript or official correspondence forwarded directly from the high school or on a high-school transcript forwarded by an institution's admissions office; and (*Revised: 2/9/95*)

- (b) A minimum combined score on the SAT verbal and math sections of 700 (if taken before April 1, 1995) or 820 (if taken on or after April 1, 1995) or a minimum sum score of 68 on the ACT. The required SAT or ACT score must be achieved under national testing conditions on a national testing date [i.e., no residual (campus) testing or regional testing dates]. (*Revised: 1/10/92, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96 for student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/96*)

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14.3.1.2 Core-Curriculum Requirements. For purposes of meeting the core-curriculum requirement to establish eligibility at a Division I or II member institution, a “core course” must meet all of the following criteria: *(Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00 for those student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/00)*

- (a) A course must be a recognized academic course and qualify for high-school graduation credit in one or a combination of the following areas: English, mathematics, natural/physical science, social science, foreign language, computer science or nondoctrinal religion/philosophy;
- (b) A course must be considered college preparatory by the high school. College preparatory is defined for these purposes as any course that prepares a student academically to enter a four-year collegiate institution on graduation from high school;
- (c) A mathematics course must be at the level of Algebra I or higher-level mathematics course;
- (d) A course must be taught by a qualified instructor as defined by the appropriate academic authority (e.g., high school, school district or state agency with authority over such matters); and
- (e) A course must be taught at or above the high school’s regular academic level (i.e., remedial, special education or compensatory courses shall not be considered core courses). However, the prohibition against the use of remedial or compensatory courses is not applicable to courses designed for students with learning disabilities (see Bylaw 14.3.1.3.5).

14.3.1.2.1 Core-Curriculum Time Limitation. At Division II institutions, a student is permitted to use all core courses completed before initial full-time enrollment at a collegiate institution as certified on the official transcript or by official correspondence.

14.3.1.2.2 Nontraditional Courses. Courses taught via the Internet, distance-learning, independent-study, individualized-instruction, correspondence and courses taught by similar means, may be used to satisfy NCAA core-course requirements, if all of the following conditions are satisfied: *(Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00 for those student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/00)*

- (a) The course meets all requirements for a core course as defined in Bylaw 14.3.1.3;
- (b) The instructor and the student have access to one another during the duration of the course for purposes of teaching, evaluating and providing assistance to the student;
- (c) Evaluation of the student’s work is conducted by the appropriate academic authorities in accordance with the high school’s established academic policies; and
- (d) The course is acceptable for any student and is placed on the high-school transcript.

14.3.1.2.3 College Courses. College courses may be used to satisfy core-curriculum requirements if accepted by the high school, provided the courses are accepted for any other student and meet all other requirements for core courses. For Division I only, such courses must be placed on the student’s high-school transcript.

14.3.1.2.4 English as a Second Language Course. It is permissible to use an advanced level English as a Second Language (ESL) course to satisfy core-curriculum requirements, provided it is reviewed through the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Waiver process. Other ESL courses taught in disciplines other than English (e.g., social studies) may satisfy a core-course requirement, provided they are qualitatively and quantitatively the same as the comparison course in the regular course offering. *(Adopted: 4/13/99)*

14.3.1.2.5 Courses for Students with Disabilities. The Academic Requirements Committee may approve the use of high-school courses for students with disabilities to fulfill the core-curriculum requirements, even if such courses appear to be taught at a level below the high school’s regular academic instructional level (e.g., special education courses), if the high-school principal submits a written statement to the NCAA indicating that such courses are substantially comparable quantitatively and qualitatively to similar core-course offerings in that academic discipline. Students with disabilities still must complete the required core courses and achieve the minimum required grade-point average in this core curriculum. The fact that the title of a course includes a designation such as “remedial,” “special education,” “special needs,” or other similar titles used for courses designed for students with learning disabilities does not, in and of itself, disqualify a course from satisfying core-curriculum requirements. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 4/15/98)*

14.3.1.2.6 Grade Value of Core Courses. The following grade values are to be used in determining a student’s grade-point average in the core courses: A = 4 quality points, B = 3 quality points, C = 2 quality points, D = 1 quality point. In determining the core-curriculum grade-point average, each grade earned in a course (including all numerical grades) must be converted to this 4.000 scale on an individual-course basis. Pluses or minuses within a grade level shall not receive greater or lesser quality points. A school’s normal practice of weighting honors or advanced courses may be used to compute the quality points awarded in those courses and the cumulative grade-

point average, provided a written statement verifying the grading policy accompanies the prospective student-athlete's official grade transcript. An honors or an advanced course shall receive no greater than 1.00 additional quality point (e.g., A=5.000). In calculating the grade in a weighted honors or advanced course, if a high school does not assign quality points to its courses, quality points shall be added to each course before calculating the student's grade-point average and not added to a student's cumulative core-course grade-point average. The core-curriculum grade-point average may be calculated using the student's 13 best grades from courses that meet the distribution requirements of the core curriculum. Additional core courses (beyond the 13 required) may be used to meet the core-curriculum grade-point average, provided the distribution requirements are met. *(Revised: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97, 4/15/98)*

14.3.1.2.7 Pass-Fail Grades. Courses that are awarded pass-fail grades may be used to satisfy core-curriculum requirements. The NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse shall assign the course the lowest passing grade that the high school assigns for a pass-fail course. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/13/98)*

14.3.1.2.8 Repeat Courses. A repeated course may be used only once to satisfy core-curriculum requirements. The best grade in that course may be used to calculate the grade-point average in the core curriculum.

14.3.1.2.9 Multiple High-School Attendance—Division II. For a student-athlete who attends more than one high school, a Form 48-H (core-course form) from each high school the student-athlete attended must be used. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

14.3.1.3 Test-Score Requirements. In Divisions I and II, the minimum required SAT or ACT score (see Bylaw 14.3.1.2) must be achieved under national testing conditions on a national testing date [i.e., no residual (campus) testing or regional testing dates].

14.3.1.3.1 Test-Score Time Limitation. The minimum required SAT or ACT score shall be achieved before the individual's first full-time enrollment in a collegiate institution. *(Revised: 1/11/89, 1/16/93, 1/10/95)*

14.3.1.3.2 Combined Test Scores. For students using the SAT examination, the highest scores achieved on the verbal and mathematics sections of the SAT from two different national testing dates may be combined in determining whether the student has met the minimum test-score requirements. For students using the ACT examination, the highest scores achieved on the individual subtests of the ACT from more than one national testing date may be combined in determining whether the student's sum score has met the minimum test-score requirement.

14.3.1.3.3 Nonstandard Test Administration. The Academic Requirements Committee may approve the use of scores achieved during a nonstandard administration of the SAT or ACT for learning-disabled or handicapped students. A student who takes a nonstandard SAT or ACT still must achieve the minimum required test score; however, the test does not have to be administered on a national testing date.

14.3.1.4 Requirements Applicable to Entering Freshman. In the application of the freshman academic requirements set forth in this section, a student-athlete shall meet either the initial-eligibility requirements for a qualifier in effect at the time of the student's graduation from high school or the initial-eligibility requirements in effect at the time of the student-athlete's initial enrollment in a collegiate institution.

14.3.1.5 Early Admissions Program Waiver. A waiver may be granted by the Academic Requirements Committee for a student who left high school after completion of the junior year or during the senior year to enter a member institution under an early admissions program (open to students solely on the basis of outstanding academic performance and promise), provided the following conditions are met: *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/13/98)*

- (a) For the last four semesters completed in high school, the student maintained a cumulative, minimum grade-point average of 3.500 (based on a maximum of 4.000) and ranked in the top 20 percent of the student's class; and
- (b) The student has met all the requirements of a qualifier except graduation from high school.

14.3.1.6 Other Council-Authorized Waivers. The Management Council shall have the authority to authorize additional waivers of the initial-eligibility requirements of this legislation based on objective evidence that demonstrates circumstances in which a student's overall academic record warrants the waiver of the normal application of this regulation. The Management Council shall establish the process for granting such waivers, shall monitor the actions taken under this authorization and shall report annually to the membership the actions taken, in summary, aggregate form.

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14.3.2 Eligibility for Financial Aid, Practice and Competition—Partial Qualifier and Nonqualifier

14.3.2.1 Partial Qualifier

14.3.2.1.1 Definition. A partial qualifier is a student who does not meet the requirements for a qualifier but who, at the time of graduation from high school, presents one of the following academic requirements (see Bylaw 14.3.1.1): *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

- (a) Successful completion of a required core curriculum consisting of a minimum number of courses and a specified minimum grade-point average in the core curriculum; or
- (b) Specified minimum SAT or ACT score.

14.3.2.1.1.1 Eligibility for Aid, Practice and Competition. An entering freshman with no previous college attendance who enrolls in an institution and who is a partial qualifier may receive institutional financial aid (see Bylaw 15.02.4.1) based on institutional and conference regulations and may practice only on campus or at the institution's regular practice facility but may not compete during the first academic year in residence. *(Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/90 effective 8/1/90, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96 for those student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/96)*

14.3.2.2 Nonqualifier

14.3.2.2.1 Definition. A nonqualifier is a student who has not graduated from high school or who, at the time specified in the regulation (see Bylaw 14.3), presented neither the core-curriculum grade-point average and SAT/ACT score required for a qualifier.

14.3.2.2.1.1 Eligibility for Aid, Practice and Competition. An entering freshman with no previous college attendance who is not a qualifier at the time of enrollment shall not be eligible for regular-season competition and practice during the first academic year in residence. However, such a student (recruited or nonrecruited) for whom financial aid was granted without regard to athletics ability shall be eligible for nonathletics institutional financial aid, provided there is on file in the office of the athletics director certification by the faculty athletics representative and the chair of the financial aid committee that financial aid was so granted. *(Revised: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/90)*

14.3.2.3 Employment. A recruited prospective student-athlete who is not a qualifier, and who receives assistance from a representative of the institution's athletics interests in obtaining a summer job, must terminate such employment at the end of the summer-vacation period. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

14.3.2.4 Practice-Session Attendance. A student-athlete who is a nonqualifier and who, therefore, is not eligible for practice may not attend any practice sessions in any capacity, nor may the student-athlete attend any meeting characterized as practice (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1). *(Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/96 for those student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/96, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96 for those student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/96)*

14.3.2.5 Outside Competition—Partial Qualifier and Nonqualifier. A partial qualifier or nonqualifier may participate in the institution's intramural program (provided the intramural team is not coached by a member of the institution's athletics department staff), but during the first year of enrollment, such an individual is not permitted to practice or compete on an institutional club team or on an outside sports team.

14.3.3 Seasons of Competition—Partial Qualifier and Nonqualifier. Partial qualifiers and nonqualifiers, recruited or nonrecruited, shall not engage in more than four seasons of competition, except that such student-athletes who have exhausted three seasons of competition in Division I shall not be eligible for further seasons of competition in Division II. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

14.3.4 Residence Requirement—Partial Qualifier or Nonqualifier. A partial qualifier must fulfill an academic year of residence in order to be eligible to compete and to practice away from the institution. A nonqualifier must fulfill an academic year of residence in order to be eligible for practice, competition and financial aid other than that permitted per Bylaw 14.3.2.2.1.1. The requirements that must be met to fulfill an academic year of residence are set forth in Bylaw 14.5.1.2. *(Revised: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/90, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96 for those student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/96)*

14.3.5 Determination of Freshman Eligibility

14.3.5.1 Participation before Certification

14.3.5.1.1 Recruited Student-Athlete. If a recruited student-athlete reports for athletics participation before the high-school core-curriculum grade-point average and test score have been certified, the student may practice, but not compete, for a maximum of two weeks, provided the stu-

dent is enrolled full time or has been accepted for enrollment as a regular full-time student. After this two-week period, the student shall have established minimum requirements as a qualifier (as certified by the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse) to continue practicing or to compete, or the minimum requirements as a partial qualifier to continue practicing. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

14.3.5.1.2 Nonrecruited Student-Athlete. If a nonrecruited student-athlete reports for athletics participation before the high-school core-curriculum grade-point average and test score have been certified, the student may practice, but not compete, for a maximum of 45 days, provided the student is enrolled full time or has been accepted for enrollment as a regular full-time student. After this 45-day period, the student shall have established minimum requirements as a qualifier (as certified by the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse) to continue practicing or to compete, or the minimum requirements as a partial qualifier to continue practicing.

14.3.5.2 GED Test/Equivalency Diploma. A prospect who does not graduate from high school but who subsequently completes the General Educational Development (GED) test and obtains a state high-school equivalency diploma may satisfy the graduation requirement of Bylaw 14.3, but not the core-curriculum or test-score requirement, if the following conditions are met:

- (a) Only scores from a GED test taken by the prospect after one calendar year has elapsed from the date the prospect's high-school class (i.e., the last class of which the student was a member while enrolled in high school) normally graduates shall be used;
- (b) The prospect must present the state high-school equivalency diploma before initial enrollment as a full-time, regularly matriculated student in a collegiate institution;
- (c) The prospect may qualify for athletically-related financial aid and practice on campus or at the institution's regular home facility, but not for competition, by presenting a minimum average score of 45 on the five-part GED test and satisfying either the minimum grade-point average and core-course requirements or the minimum standardized test score as set forth in Bylaw 14.3.2.1.1; and (*Revised: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99*)
- (d) To qualify for financial aid, practice and competition, the prospect must meet the core-curriculum grade-point average and test-score requirements (see Bylaw 14.3.1.2) in addition to presenting a minimum average score of 45 on the five-part GED test.

14.3.5.3 Advanced Placement. If the student-athlete is admitted with a minimum of 24 semester hours or a minimum of 36 quarter hours of advanced placement from a College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) examination (or from a similar proficiency examination) and/or concurrent high-school/college credit without previous enrollment at a collegiate institution, the student-athlete shall be immediately eligible. Credits earned from extension or summer-session courses may not be counted in satisfaction of this requirement.

14.3.5.4 International Academic Standards. A student from a foreign country shall satisfy both the requirements outlined in the NCAA Guide to International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility and the test-score requirements set forth in Bylaws 14.3.1.1-(b) and 14.3.1.2-(b).

14.4 SATISFACTORY-PROGRESS REQUIREMENTS

14.4.1 Satisfactory-Progress Requirements—All Divisions. To be eligible to represent an institution in intercollegiate athletics competition, a student-athlete shall maintain satisfactory progress toward a baccalaureate or equivalent degree at that institution as determined by the regulations of that institution. As a general requirement, "satisfactory progress" is to be interpreted at each member institution by the academic authorities who determine the meaning of such phrases for all students, subject to controlling legislation of the conference(s) or similar association of which the institution is a member. (See Constitution 3.2.4.10 regarding the obligations of members to publish their satisfactory-progress requirements for student-athletes.) (Note: The restrictions, exceptions and waivers set forth in Bylaws 14.4.3.3.4, 14.4.3.3.5 and 14.4.3.6 also apply to the general requirements for good academic standing and satisfactory progress.)

14.4.1.1 Exchange Student. A bona fide exchange student as defined in Bylaw 14.5.1.7.1 shall maintain satisfactory progress toward a baccalaureate or equivalent degree at the student's preceding educational institution.

14.4.1.2 Temporary Student. A student-athlete having the status of temporary, transient or exchange student shall not represent an institution in intercollegiate athletics competition, unless such status is specifically allowed and governed by provisions adopted by the membership.

14.4.2 Eligibility for Financial Aid and Practice—Divisions I and II. Eligibility for institutional financial aid and practice during each academic year after a student-athlete's initial year in residence or after the student-athlete has used one season of eligibility in a sport shall be based upon the rules of the institution and the conference(s), if any, of which the institution is a member.

Satisfactory-Progress/14.4.3—14.4.3.1.3.1

14.4.3 Eligibility for Competition—Divisions I and II

14.4.3.1 Fulfillment of Credit-Hour Requirements. Eligibility for competition for a midyear transfer student-athlete, or for a student-athlete after the student-athlete's first academic year in residence, or after the student-athlete has used one season of eligibility in any sport at the certifying institution shall be determined by the student-athlete's academic record in existence at the beginning of the fall term or at the beginning of any other regular term of that academic year, based on: (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

- (a) Satisfactory completion before each fall term of a cumulative total of academic semester or quarter hours equivalent to an average of at least 12 semester or quarter hours during each of the previous academic terms in academic years in which the student-athlete has been enrolled in a term or terms; or
- (b) Satisfactory completion of 24 semester or 36 quarter hours of academic credit since the beginning of the previous fall term or since the beginning of the certifying institution's preceding regular two semesters or three quarters.

14.4.3.1.1 Academic Year in Residence. The definition of "year in residence" for purposes of initiating the requirement for satisfactory-progress certification is based on full-time enrollment and attendance during any portion of a term in an academic year, except that when a student-athlete is granted a medical-absence waiver per Bylaw 14.4.3.6-(a) during the first year of academic residence, that term is not counted in determining whether the student-athlete has been in residence at the certifying institution for one academic year. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

14.4.3.1.2 Hours Earned during Regular Academic Year. A student-athlete shall earn at least 75 percent of the minimum number of semester or quarter hours required for satisfactory progress during the regular academic year. The student-athlete shall earn no more than 25 percent of the minimum number of semester or quarter hours required for satisfactory progress during the summer or through correspondence courses taken during the 1993-94 academic year and thereafter. (*Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92 for credit hours earned during the 1992-93 academic year and thereafter, Revised: 1/11/94*)

14.4.3.1.2.1 Regular Academic Year. For purposes of Bylaw 14.4.3.1.3, the regular academic year consists of the time beginning with the opening of the institution's fall term and concluding with the institution's spring commencement exercises. (*Adopted: 1/9/96*)

14.4.3.1.2.2 Waiver Procedures. The Academic Requirements Committee shall have the authority to authorize waivers of this requirement based upon objective evidence that demonstrates circumstances that warrant the waiver of the normal application of this regulation. The committee shall establish the process for granting such waivers and shall report at least annually to the Management Council and to the membership the actions taken in summary aggregate form. (*Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92, Revised: 1/16/93*)

14.4.3.1.2.3 Waiver or Exception—Prorating Hours. A student-athlete who qualifies for an exception to or waiver of the satisfactory-progress rule set forth in Bylaws 14.4.3.5 and 14.4.3.6 may prorate the 75-percent requirement based on the number of hours the student-athlete must earn to meet satisfactory-progress requirements. For example, a student-athlete beginning his or her second year of enrollment at the certifying institution who qualifies for a missed term during the freshman year must earn nine ($12 \times .75 = 9$) of those hours during the regular academic year. (*Adopted: 1/9/96*)

14.4.3.1.3 Designation of Degree Program. A student-athlete shall designate a program of studies leading toward a specific baccalaureate degree at the certifying institution by the beginning of the third year of enrollment (fifth semester or seventh quarter) and thereafter shall make satisfactory progress toward that specific degree. This provision shall be applicable to the eligibility not only of a continuing student, but also of a transfer student from a four-year or two-year collegiate institution who is entering his or her third year of collegiate enrollment, even if the student has not yet completed an academic year in residence or used a season of eligibility in a sport at the certifying institution. Designation of a specific baccalaureate degree program may be accomplished by:

- (a) Formal enrollment by the student-athlete in a specific baccalaureate degree program; or
- (b) Approval by an appropriate academic official (who must not be an academic adviser/counselor employed by the athletics department) of the program leading to the specific baccalaureate degree that the student-athlete is pursuing.

14.4.3.1.3.1 Documentation of Degree Program Designation. If the designation is in accordance with (a) above, the official enrollment records of the institution shall constitute the documentation of the program against which satisfactory progress under this regulation shall be measured. If the designation is in accordance with (b), the record of the degree program designation, approved by the appropriate academic official, shall constitute that documentation.

For purposes of certifying eligibility for competition, an appropriate academic official shall affirm in writing the number of credit hours applicable to the designated degree program that have been completed satisfactorily. The institution's records for all student-athlete degree program designations and satisfactory-progress evaluations shall be retained for inspection (on request) by an authorized representative of the NCAA.

14.4.3.1.3.2 Effect of Violation. Violations of Bylaw 14.4.3.1.4 shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility. *(Adopted: 1/11/00)*

14.4.3.1.4 Hours Earned or Accepted for Degree Credit. The provision that the calculation of credit hours under the satisfactory-progress regulation shall be based on hours earned or accepted for degree credit at the certifying institution in a student-athlete's specific baccalaureate degree program (see Bylaw 14.4.3.1.3) shall be met as follows:

- (a) During the first two years of enrollment, a student-athlete who has not yet designated a specific baccalaureate degree program may use credits acceptable toward any of the institution's degree programs;
- (b) By the beginning of the third year of enrollment (fifth semester or seventh quarter), a student-athlete shall be required to have designated a program of studies leading toward a specific baccalaureate degree. From that point, the credits used to meet the satisfactory-progress requirements must be degree credit toward the student's designated degree program;
- (c) A student-athlete who changes his or her designated degree program may comply with the satisfactory-progress requirements if:
 - (1) The change in programs is documented appropriately by the institution's academic authorities;
 - (2) The credits earned before the change are acceptable toward the degree previously sought; and
 - (3) The credits earned from the time of the change are acceptable toward the new desired degree; and
- (d) A student-athlete who has designated a specific degree program with an identified major may not use a course to fulfill the credit-hour requirement for meeting satisfactory progress even if the course fulfills an elective component of the student-athlete's degree program, if the student ultimately must repeat the course to fulfill the requirements of the student's major. *(Adopted: 1/14/97)*

14.4.3.2 Fulfillment of Minimum Grade-Point Average Requirements. A student-athlete shall meet the "satisfactory completion" provision of this requirement by maintaining a grade-point average that places the individual in good academic standing, as established by the institution for all students who are at an equivalent stage of progress toward a degree.

14.4.3.2.1 Division II. To fulfill the "satisfactory completion" provision of this requirement, a student-athlete who first enters a Division II institution after the 1988-89 academic year must achieve the following cumulative minimum grade-point average (based on a maximum of 4.000): *(Adopted: 1/14/89 effective 8/1/89)*

- (a) After the completion of the first season of competition: 1.600;
- (b) After the completion of the second season of competition: 1.800; and
- (c) After the completion of the third season of competition and subsequent seasons of competition: 2.000.

14.4.3.2.1.1 Calculation of Grade-Point Average for Student-Athletes Entering a Division II Institution after the 1988-89 Academic Year. For those student-athletes first entering a Division II institution after the 1988-89 academic year, the cumulative minimum grade-point average must be achieved at the certifying institution, shall be based on the method used by the institution for all students and shall include all course work normally counted by the institution in such calculations. *(Adopted: 1/14/88 effective 8/1/89, Revised: 1/10/91)*

14.4.3.2.1.2 Calculation of Grade-Point Average for Student-Athletes Entering a Collegiate Institution on or after August 1, 1991. For those satisfactory-progress grade-point calculations that occur on or after August 1, 1996, the cumulative minimum grade-point average must be achieved based only on course work taken at the certifying institution. *(Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96 for those satisfactory-progress grade-point calculations that occur on or after 8/1/96)*

14.4.3.2.1.2.1 Course Work after Enrollment. After enrollment at the certifying institution,

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course work taken at another institution may be used in calculating the student-athlete's cumulative grade-point average, provided: (*Adopted: 1/14/97*)

- (a) The courses are not extension courses, correspondence courses or courses for which credit is awarded by examination, subject to the waivers and exceptions set forth in Bylaws 14.4.3.3.5.1 and 14.4.3.3.5.2;
- (b) The student-athlete receives prior approval from the appropriate academic officials at the certifying institution to take the course;
- (c) The course is accepted as degree credit and placed on the student-athlete's official transcript at the certifying institution; and
- (d) It is the certifying institution's normal policy to include such course work for all students in calculating the cumulative grade-point average.

14.4.3.2.1.3 Additional Grade-Point Average Calculation Provisions. The following additional grade-point average calculation provisions shall apply to the provisions of Bylaws 14.4.3.3.2.1 and 14.4.3.3.2.2: (*Revised: 1/10/91, 1/14/97*)

- (a) **Summer School Courses.** Summer school courses shall be used in determining whether the student-athlete has achieved the minimum grade-point average.
- (b) **Pass/Fail Grades.** Pass/fail grades shall not be used in determining the minimum grade-point average.
- (c) **Repeated Courses.** An institution is not required to include the initial grade from a course that has been repeated, unless the institution's policy is to include the grade in calculating the grade-point average for all students at that institution. (*Adopted: 1/14/97*)

14.4.3.2.1.4 Determination of Seasons of Competition. Any competition in a season shall count as a season of competition for purposes of this legislation. The following provisions also shall apply: (*Adopted: 1/10/91*)

- (a) **Hardship Years.** Years for which the student-athlete was granted a hardship per Bylaw 14.2.5 shall be included in determining the number of seasons of competition in which a student-athlete has participated.
- (b) **Noncompetition/Redshirt Years.** Years in which the student-athlete does not compete shall not be considered in calculating the number of seasons of competition.
- (c) **Transfer Students.** Years in which a transfer student competed at another institution shall be included as seasons of competition in determining the applicable grade-point standard.
- (d) **Multisport Participant.** The grade-point average necessary for a multisport participant shall be determined on the basis of the number of seasons completed in the sport in which the student-athlete has competed in the most seasons of competition.

14.4.3.3 Regulations for Administration of Satisfactory Progress

14.4.3.3.1 Calculation of Credit Hours. The calculation of credit hours to meet this requirement (see Bylaw 14.4.3.1) shall be based on hours earned or accepted for degree credit toward any of the institution's degree programs or, if the student-athlete has designated a specific baccalaureate degree program, toward credit in that degree program. Hours earned in the period after the regular academic year at the institution (e.g., hours earned in summer school) may be used to satisfy the academic credit requirements of this regulation.

14.4.3.3.2 Nontraditional Terms. An institution that determines registration other than on a traditional semester- or quarter-hour basis shall submit a statement describing the continuing eligibility requirements applicable to its student-athletes for approval by the Academic Requirements Committee.

14.4.3.3.3 Advanced-Placement Tests/International Baccalaureate Program Examinations/ Credit by Examination. Credit received through advanced-placement tests or by examination or International Baccalaureate Program examinations may be used by the student to meet the minimum satisfactory-progress requirement, provided the subject for which the examination is an alternative is offered by the institution as acceptable degree credit. (*Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

14.4.3.3.4 Prior Approval—Summer Courses at Other Institutions. Prior approval by appropriate academic officials of the certifying institution is required, if courses taken during another institution's summer term are to be used in determining the student's academic status (i.e., good academic standing and satisfactory progress). Under limited circumstances, the Academic Requirements Committee may grant waivers for student-athletes who did not request or receive prior approval.

14.4.3.3.5 Correspondence and Extension Courses from Another Institution. Correspondence, extension and credit-by-examination courses taken from an institution other than the one in which a student-athlete is enrolled as a full-time student shall not be used in determining a student's academic standing or satisfactory progress.

14.4.3.3.5.1 Waivers. Waivers of this restriction may be granted by the Academic Requirements Committee in response to written requests from member institutions. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

14.4.3.3.5.2 Centralized Correspondence-Course Exception. In a state that centralizes the offering of correspondence courses through one state institution, a student enrolled in another of the state's institutions may use a correspondence course from the institution authorized to offer such courses in determining the student's academic standing or satisfactory progress.

14.4.3.3.6 Remedial, Tutorial or Noncredit Courses. Remedial, tutorial or noncredit courses may be used by the student to satisfy the minimum academic progress requirement of Bylaw 14.4.3.3.1 only if they meet all of the following conditions:

- (a) The courses must be considered by the institution to be prerequisites for specific courses acceptable for any degree program;
- (b) The courses must be given the same weight as others in the institution in determining the student's status for full-time enrollment;
- (c) Noncredit courses may not exceed the maximum institutional limit for such courses in any baccalaureate degree program (or the student's specific baccalaureate degree program once a program has been designated); and
- (d) For those students first enrolled in the certifying institution beginning with the 1986-87 academic year, the credit in such courses shall not exceed 12 semester or 18 quarter hours, and the courses must be taken during the student's first academic year of collegiate enrollment.

14.4.3.3.7 Incomplete Grades. A student who receives an incomplete grade in a course may use the course in question to fulfill the minimum satisfactory-progress requirements, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) The incomplete grade must have been removed in accordance with the institution's regulations applicable to all students;
- (b) Such a course may be counted only once after a grade has been achieved that is acceptable to the institution for determining satisfactory progress; and
- (c) The course with the acceptable grade shall be counted either during the term in which the student initially enrolled in the course or during the term in which the incomplete grade was removed and acceptable credit was awarded.

14.4.3.3.8 Repeated Courses. Credit for courses that are repeated may be used by a student to satisfy the minimum academic progress requirements only under the following conditions:

- (a) A course repeated due to an unsatisfactory initial grade may be used only once and only after it has been satisfactorily completed;
- (b) Credit for a course that may be taken several times (e.g., a physical education activities course) shall be limited by institutional regulations; and
- (c) Credits earned in courses that may be taken several times may not exceed the maximum institutional limit for credits of that type for any baccalaureate degree program (or for the student's specific baccalaureate degree program once a program has been designated).

14.4.3.3.9 "Banked" Credit Hours. All credit hours (including those "banked" or earned in excess of the average of 12 per term before the designation of a specific baccalaureate degree program, even if such hours are not applicable to the designated degree program) may continue to be used to maintain satisfactory progress. (*Revised: 1/9/96*)

14.4.3.3.10 Credit from Other Institutions. Credit hours earned at another institution before initial enrollment at the certifying institution may not be used to satisfy minimum academic progress requirements at that institution. However, a student-athlete's total academic record after initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution, including the record at other institutions later attended, may be considered in evaluating eligibility under the satisfactory-progress legislation. (*Revised: 1/16/93*)

14.4.3.4 Exceptions to Satisfactory-Progress Rule (*Adopted: 1/10/90*)

- (a) **Missed term.** One time during a student-athlete's entire period of collegiate enrollment, the provisions of Bylaw 14.4.3.1-(a) may be prorated at 12 hours per term of actual attendance, if the stu-

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dent-athlete misses a complete term or consecutive terms during an academic year, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) The student-athlete engaged in no outside competition in the sport during the academic term or terms in which the student was not in attendance;
 - (2) The student was eligible for enrollment during the student's absence; and
 - (3) At the time of certification, the student has fulfilled the satisfactory-progress requirements (per Bylaw 14.4.3.1) for the terms in which the student was in attendance. A transfer student from a two-year college is not eligible to use this one-time exception during the first academic year of residence at the certifying institution in order to maintain eligibility during the second year in residence. Hours earned while enrolled as a part-time student during the "missed term" may not be counted in meeting the satisfactory-progress requirement. (*Revised: 1/10/90*)
- (b) **Midyear enrollment.** For students entering the institution at the beginning of the second semester or the second or third quarter of an academic year, the credit hours required under the satisfactory-progress regulation of Bylaw 14.4.3.1-(a) may be prorated at 12 units per term of actual attendance during the initial regular academic year of attendance. (*Revised: 1/10/90*)
- (c) **Nonrecruited, nonparticipant.** A student-athlete may qualify for an exception to the application of the satisfactory-progress regulation for the initial season of eligibility, if the student has been in residence at the certifying institution for at least one academic year; was not recruited; has not received athletically related financial assistance; has never practiced or participated in intercollegiate athletics, except that a student may have participated in limited preseason tryouts; and is otherwise eligible under all institutional, conference and NCAA rules. The student-athlete's eligibility in future seasons would be governed by the provisions of the satisfactory-progress rule, which would be applied from the beginning of the first term the student began participation. (*Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/92, 1/9/96*)
- (d) **Graduate Student Exception.** A graduate student who is otherwise eligible for regular-season competition shall be exempt from the provisions of this regulation.

14.4.3.5 Waivers of Satisfactory-Progress Rule. The Academic Requirements Committee shall establish appropriate criteria for waivers of this legislation. Such waivers shall be administered by the conference members of the Association or, in the case of an independent institution, by the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee. Waivers of the satisfactory-progress rule may be granted under any of the following conditions:

- (a) **Medical absence.** The credit hours required under the satisfactory-progress regulation of Bylaw 14.4.3.1-(a) may be prorated at 12 units per term of actual attendance during an academic year in which a student misses a term or is unable to complete a term as a full-time student as a result of an injury or illness. Such an exception may be granted only when circumstances clearly supported by appropriate medical documentation establish that a student-athlete is unable to attend a collegiate institution as a full-time student as a result of an incapacitating physical injury or illness involving the student-athlete or a member of the student-athlete's immediate family. Credits earned by the student during the term to which the waiver applies may not be used in determining satisfactory progress.
- (b) **International competition.** The credit hours required under the satisfactory-progress regulation of Bylaw 14.4.3.1-(a) may be prorated at 12 hours per term of actual attendance during an academic year in which a student is not enrolled for a term or terms or is unable to complete a term as a result of participation in the Pan American, Olympic, World Championships, World Cup or World University Games (including final Olympic tryouts and the officially recognized training program that directly qualifies participants for those tryouts). This waiver provision may be applied to no more than two semesters or three quarters. (*Revised: 1/9/96*)

14.4.3.6 Waiver—Olympic Games. The Academic Requirements Committee may waive this general satisfactory-progress requirement for any participant in the Olympic Games who, because of such participation, may lose eligibility for practice and competition in any sport.

14.4.3.7 Waiver—Learning-Disabled and Handicapped Student-Athletes. The Academic Requirements Committee may waive the general satisfactory-progress requirements for a learning-disabled or handicapped student-athlete when objective evidence demonstrates that the institution has defined full-time enrollment for that student-athlete to be less than 12 hours to accommodate for the student's learning disability or handicap. (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

14.4.3.8 Additional Satisfactory-Progress Waivers. The Academic Requirements Committee shall have the authority to waive all other satisfactory-progress requirements based on objective evidence that demonstrates circumstances that warrant the waiver of the normal application of those regula-

tions. The committee shall establish the process for granting such waivers and shall report at least annually to the Management Council and to the membership the actions taken in summary aggregate form. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

14.5 TRANSFER REGULATIONS

14.5.1 Residence Requirement—General Principle. A student who transfers (see Bylaw 14.5.2) to a member institution from any collegiate institution is required to complete one full academic year of residence at the certifying institution before being eligible to compete for or to receive travel expenses from the member institution (see Bylaw 16.8.1.2), unless the student satisfies the applicable transfer requirements or receives an exception or waiver as set forth in this bylaw. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

14.5.1.1 Determination of Year of Residence. To satisfy an academic year of residence, a student shall:

- (a) Be enrolled in and complete a minimum full-time program of studies for two full semesters or three full quarters; or
- (b) Be enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies for two full semesters or three full quarters and pass a number of hours that is at least equal to the sum total of the minimum load of each of the required terms.

14.5.1.1.1 Summer Term. A summer term shall not be used to satisfy a term of residence, but hours earned at the certifying institution during the summer may be used to satisfy the requirements of (b) above.

14.5.1.2 Fulfillment of Residence Requirement in Night School. When a student transfers to a member institution and is required to fulfill a residence requirement before being eligible to participate in competition, it is permissible for the transfer student to meet the requirement by attending an institution's night school, provided the following conditions are met:

- (a) The night school has regular terms (semesters or quarters) that are the same as the institution's day school;
- (b) The student is enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies during each night term counted; and
- (c) The student is considered by the institution to be a regularly matriculated student in each term.

14.5.1.3 Disciplinary Suspension. A student who transfers to any NCAA institution from a collegiate institution while the student is disqualified or suspended from the previous institution for disciplinary reasons (as opposed to academic reasons) must complete one calendar year of residence at the certifying institution. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

14.5.1.4 Outside Competition—Partial Qualifier or Nonqualifier. A two-year college transfer student who is a nonqualifier or partial qualifier and does not meet the applicable transfer requirements may participate in the institution's intramural program (provided the intramural team is not coached by a member of the institution's athletics department staff), but such an individual is not permitted to practice or compete on an institution's club team or an outside sports team during the first academic year in residence. A four-year college transfer student who is a nonqualifier or partial qualifier and who has not completed an academic year in residence may participate in the institution's intramural program (provided the intramural team is not coached by a member of the institution's athletics department staff), but such an individual is not permitted to practice or compete on an institution's club team or an outside sports team during the first academic year in residence. (*Adopted: 1/14/97*)

14.5.1.5 Eligibility for Championship in Progress. A transfer student shall be eligible for any NCAA championship that is in progress after a full calendar year has elapsed and at the time he or she has completed two full semesters or three full quarters of academic work.

14.5.1.6 Foreign Institution Transfers. A transfer student from a foreign collegiate institution (college, university or two-year college), except one entering as a bona fide exchange student, shall comply with the one-year residence requirement set forth in Bylaw 14.5.5.1.

14.5.1.6.1 Bona Fide Foreign Exchange Student Exception. A bona fide foreign exchange student is an individual who is sponsored by his or her nation's government, or is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Rotary International, the Ford Foundation, the Institute of International Education or a similar organization. For a student to be considered a bona fide exchange student, the sponsoring organization shall identify the student before the student's departure from his or her home country and make the necessary arrangements to finance the student's education under the foreign exchange program. If these arrangements have not been completed before the student's enrollment at the member institution, the student is considered to be a transfer student and may not

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represent the certifying institution in competition, until the individual has met the required residence requirement.

14.5.2 Conditions Affecting Transfer Status. A transfer student is an individual who transfers from a collegiate institution after having met any one of the following conditions at that institution:

- (a) The student was officially registered and enrolled in a minimum, full-time program of studies in any quarter or semester of an academic year, as certified by the registrar or admissions office, provided the student was present at the institution on the opening day of classes;
- (b) The student attended a class or classes in any quarter or semester in which the student was enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies, even if the enrollment was on a provisional basis and the student was later determined by the institution not to be admissible;
- (c) The student is or was enrolled in an institution in a minimum full-time program of studies in a night school that is considered to have regular terms (semesters or quarters) the same as the institution's day school, and the student is or was considered by the institution to be a regularly matriculated student;
- (d) The student attended a branch school that does not conduct an intercollegiate athletics program, but the student had been enrolled in another collegiate institution before attendance at the branch school;
- (e) The student attended a branch school that conducted an intercollegiate athletics program and transfers to an institution other than the parent institution;
- (f) The student reported for a regular squad practice (including practice or conditioning activities that occur prior to certification per Bylaws 14.3.5.1 and 14.5.4.4.6), announced by the institution through any member of its athletics department staff, before the beginning of any quarter or semester, as certified by the athletics director. Participation only in picture-day activities would not constitute "regular practice;"
- (g) The student participated in practice or competed in a given sport even though the student was enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies; or
- (h) The student received institutional financial aid while attending a summer term, summer school or summer-orientation program (see Bylaw 15.2.7.1.1). (*Adopted: 1/10/90*)

14.5.3 Conditions Not Constituting Transfer Status. Unless otherwise covered by conditions set forth in Bylaw 14.5.2, a student-athlete is not considered a transfer under the following enrollment conditions:

14.5.3.1 Summer School, Extension Courses or Night School. The student has been enrolled in or attended classes only in a summer school, extension course or night school, unless the night school is considered by the institution to be a regular term (semester or quarter) the same as its day school, the student is enrolled for a minimum full-time load in this regular night term, and the student is considered by the institution to be a regularly enrolled student.

14.5.3.2 Branch School. The student has been enrolled in or attended classes only in a branch school, provided the branch school does not conduct an intercollegiate athletics program. If the branch school conducts an intercollegiate athletics program, the student shall not be considered a transfer only on enrollment at the parent institution directly from the branch school. (For definition of "branch school," see Bylaw 14.02.1.)

14.5.3.3 Second Campus of Institution. The student is in residence at an institution's campus that is not in the same city as the institution's main campus, provided the campus at which the student is in residence does not conduct an intercollegiate athletics program, classes on the campus are taught by the same instructors who teach classes on the main campus, the credits received by all class enrollees are considered as regular credits by the institution's main campus, and the degrees awarded to all students come from the institution's main campus.

14.5.3.4 Academic Exchange Program. The student participates in a regular academic exchange program between two four-year institutions that requires a participant to complete a specified period of time at each institution, and the program provides for the student-athlete to receive at least two baccalaureate or equivalent degrees at the conclusion of this joint academic program.

14.5.4 Two-Year College Transfers. A student who transfers to a member institution from a two-year college or from a branch school that conducts an intercollegiate athletics program must complete an academic year of residence, unless the student meets the following eligibility requirements applicable to the division of which the certifying institution is a member. Further, a transfer student-athlete admitted after the 12th class day may not use that semester or quarter for the purpose of establishing residency. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

14.5.4.1 To Division II Institutions

14.5.4.1.1 Qualifier. A transfer student from a two-year college who was a qualifier (per Bylaw

14.3.1.1) is eligible in Division II institutions for competition during the first academic year in residence only if the student has: *(Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93)*

- (a) Graduated from the two-year college; or
- (b) Presented a minimum of 24-semester or 36-quarter hours of transferable-degree credit with a cumulative minimum grade-point average of 2.000 (see Bylaw 14.5.4.4.3.2) and spent at least two semesters or three quarters in residence at the two-year college (excluding summer sessions).

14.5.4.1.2 Partial Qualifier or Nonqualifier. A transfer student from a two-year college who was not a qualifier (per Bylaw 14.3.1) is eligible in Division II institutions for practice and competition (and for nonqualifiers, for athletics aid) during the first academic year in residence only if the student has attended a two-year college as a full-time student for at least two semesters or three quarters and has: *(Adopted: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93)*

- (a) Graduated from the two-year college; or
- (b) Presented a minimum of 24-semester or 36-quarter hours of transferable-degree credit with a cumulative minimum grade-point average of 2.000 (see Bylaw 14.5.4.4.3.2) and, for those student-athletes first entering a two-year collegiate institution on or after August 1, 1996, satisfactorily completed an average of at least 12-semester or -quarter hours of transferable-degree credit acceptable toward any baccalaureate degree program at the certifying institution for each academic term of full-time attendance. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96 for those student-athletes first entering a two-year collegiate institution on or after 8/1/96)*

14.5.4.1.3 Subvarsity Competition. In Division II institutions, a transfer from a two-year college who has not met the eligibility requirement set forth in Bylaw 14.5.4.2.1 shall be eligible to compete only at the subvarsity level at the certifying institution. Such subvarsity competition shall count as a season of competition in the sport involved. A transfer student from a two-year college who was not a qualifier and who has not met the eligibility requirements set forth in Bylaw 14.5.4.2.2 shall not be eligible to compete at the subvarsity level during the first year in residence at the certifying institution. However, such a student who is a nonqualifier may participate in subvarsity practice sessions, provided they are conducted separate from varsity sessions. *(Revised: 1/11/89, 1/9/96, 1/14/97)*

14.5.4.2 Two-Year College Transfer Regulations. The following regulations shall be applied in administering the eligibility requirements for two-year college transfers.

14.5.4.2.1 Multiple Two-Year Colleges. When a student-athlete has been in residence at two or more two-year colleges, the terms of residence at all two-year colleges may be combined in order to satisfy the residence requirement. All grades and all course credits that are transferable from the two-year colleges to the member institution shall be considered in determining the student-athlete's eligibility under Bylaw 14.5 (see also Bylaw 14.5.6). In addition, at least 25 percent of the credit hours used to fulfill the student's academic degree requirements must be earned at the two-year college that awards the degree per Bylaw 14.5.4.4.1. *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

14.5.4.2.2 Credit Earned at Four-Year Institution. If a student-athlete attends a two-year college and, before regular enrollment at a member institution, attains additional credits as a part-time student in a four-year collegiate institution, the hours accumulated at the four-year institution may be used by the member institution in determining the student-athlete's eligibility under the two-year college transfer provisions, provided:

- (a) These hours are accepted by the two-year college and are placed on the transcript or other official document by the two-year college from which the student-athlete transfers before the date of initial regular enrollment at the NCAA member institution; and
- (b) Any official document (other than the student's transcript) used by the two-year college for this purpose includes the official seal of the two-year college, is signed by the appropriate academic official of the two-year college and is forwarded directly from the two-year college to the appropriate admissions official of the certifying institution.

14.5.4.2.3 Determination of Transferable Degree Credit. For the purpose of determining transferable degree credit, the institution may count those courses accepted as degree credit in any of its colleges, schools or departments.

14.5.4.2.3.1 Transferable Credit, Unacceptable Grade. Credit hours for courses with grades not considered acceptable for transferable degree credit for all students at an institution shall not be counted in determining whether the transfer requirement for total number of hours is satisfied.

14.5.4.2.3.2 Calculation of Grade-Point Average for Transferable Credit. Grades earned in all courses that are normally transferable to an institution shall be considered in determining

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the qualitative grade-point average for meeting transfer requirements, regardless of the grade earned or whether such grade makes the course unacceptable for transferable degree credit. Only the last grade earned in a course that has been repeated shall be included in the grade-point-average calculation.

14.5.4.2.4 Academic Degree. In order to satisfy the two-year-college graduation requirement for eligibility immediately on transfer from a two-year college to a member institution, a student-athlete must receive an associate or equivalent degree in an academic, rather than a vocational or technical, curriculum. The Academic Requirements Committee shall have the authority to determine whether a two-year college degree is academic, rather than vocational or technical, in nature. *(Revised: 1/10/95)*

14.5.4.2.5 Transfer to Four-Year College before Completion of Requirements. The requirements set forth in Bylaw 14.5.4 must be met before a student-athlete's transfer to the certifying institution. Thus, if a two-year college student transfers (as defined in Bylaw 14.5.2) to a Division I or II institution before the completion of applicable transfer requirements, the student is subject to the one-year residence requirement at the certifying institution, even though the student transfers back to the two-year college and completes the necessary requirements.

14.5.4.2.6 Participation before Certification

14.5.4.2.6.1 Temporary Certification, Recruited Two-Year College Transfer. If a recruited two-year college transfer reports for athletics participation before the student's high-school or two-year college academic record has been certified, the student may practice, but not compete, for a maximum of two weeks. After this two-week period, the student shall have established minimum requirements as a transfer to continue practicing or to compete. *(Adopted: 1/10/90)*

14.5.4.2.6.2 Temporary Certification, Nonrecruited Two-Year College Transfer. If a nonrecruited two-year college transfer reports for athletics participation before the student's high-school or two-year college academic record has been certified, the student may practice, but not compete, for a maximum of 45 days. After this period, the student shall have established minimum requirements as a transfer to continue practicing or to compete. *(Adopted: 1/10/90)*

14.5.4.2.7 Competition in Year of Transfer. A transfer student from a two-year college is not eligible for regular-season or NCAA championship competition in a sport if the student-athlete has competed at the two-year college in any competition other than regularly scheduled scrimmages in that sport during the same academic year. Such scrimmages must meet the following criteria: *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

- (a) The scrimmage is approved by the two-year college; *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
- (b) No official score is kept; *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
- (c) No admission is charged; *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
- (d) No official time is kept; *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
- (e) The scrimmage is played before the two-year college's first regularly scheduled outside competition; and *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
- (f) The student-athlete participates in not more than two such scrimmages or dates of competition per academic year. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

14.5.4.3 Exceptions or Waivers for Transfer from Two-Year Colleges. A transfer student from a two-year college or from a branch school that conducts an intercollegiate athletics program is not subject to the residence requirement at the certifying institution, if any one of the following conditions is met. An individual who is a partial qualifier or nonqualifier shall not be permitted to use the exceptions under this bylaw.

14.5.4.3.1 Discontinued-Nonsponsored-Sport Exception. The student changed institutions in order to continue participation in a sport because the student's original two-year college dropped the sport from its intercollegiate program (even though it may subsequently establish that sport on a club basis) or never sponsored the sport on the intercollegiate level while the student was in attendance at that institution, provided the student never attended any other collegiate institution that offered intercollegiate competition in that sport and the student earned at least a minimum 2.000 grade-point average (see Bylaw 14.5.4.4.3.2) at the two-year college. *(Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/90)*

14.5.4.3.1.1 Original Collegiate Institution. In applying this provision for an exception to the residence requirement, the original collegiate institution shall be the two-year college in which the student was enrolled immediately before the transfer to the certifying institution,

provided that, if the student is transferring from a two-year college that never sponsored the sport on the intercollegiate level, the student never shall have attended any other collegiate institution that offered intercollegiate competition in that sport.

14.5.4.3.2 Nonrecruited Student Exception. The student transfers to the certifying institution in Division II, and the following conditions are met: (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

- (a) The student was not recruited per Bylaw 13.02.11.1 by the certifying institution;
- (b) No athletically related financial assistance has been received by the student-athlete;
- (c) The student-athlete has neither practiced nor competed in intercollegiate athletics before transfer, except that a student-athlete may have participated in limited preseason tryouts; and
- (d) The student-athlete was eligible for admission to the certifying institution before initial enrollment in the two-year college.

14.5.5 Four-Year College Transfers

See Bylaw 13.1.1.3 for prohibition against contacting student-athletes of another four-year collegiate institution without permission of that institution's athletics director.

14.5.5.1 To Divisions I, II and III. A transfer student from a four-year institution shall not be eligible for intercollegiate competition at a Division I, Division II or Division III institution until the student has fulfilled a residence requirement of one full academic year (two full semesters or three full quarters) at the certifying institution. Further, a transfer student-athlete admitted after the 12th class day may not use that semester or quarter for the purpose of establishing residency. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

14.5.5.1.1 Attendance for One Academic Year. A transfer student from a four-year institution who attended a four-year institution at least one academic year shall be eligible for financial aid and practice at a Division I or Division II institution under the rules of the institution and the conference of which the institution is a member, regardless of the student's qualification status (per Bylaw 14.3.1) at the time of initial enrollment.

14.5.5.1.2 Attendance for Less Than One Academic Year. A transfer student from a four-year institution who was a partial qualifier (as defined in Bylaws 14.02.9.2 and 14.02.9.3) or a nonqualifier (as defined in Bylaw 14.02.9.4) and who attended the four-year institution less than one full academic year shall not be eligible for competition during the first academic year of attendance at the certifying institution. Participation in practice sessions and the receipt of financial aid during the first academic year of attendance at the certifying institution by such students is governed by the provisions of Bylaws 14.3.2.1 (partial qualifiers) and 14.3.2.2 (nonqualifiers).

14.5.5.2 Subvarsity Competition. A transfer student from a four-year institution who was a qualifier shall be eligible to compete immediately at the subvarsity level only at the certifying Division II institution before meeting the transfer eligibility requirements. Such subvarsity competition shall count as a season of competition in the sport involved. A transfer student from a four-year institution who was not a qualifier shall not be eligible to compete at the subvarsity level during the first academic year in residence at the certifying institution. However, such a student who is a nonqualifier may participate in subvarsity practice sessions, provided they are conducted separate from varsity practice sessions. (*Revised: 1/9/96, 1/14/97*)

14.5.5.3 Exceptions or Waivers for Transfers from Four-Year Colleges. A transfer student (other than one under disciplinary suspension per Bylaw 14.5.1.4) from a four-year collegiate institution is not subject to the residence requirement for intercollegiate competition, provided the student does not have an unfulfilled residence requirement at the institution from which he or she is transferring and any of the following exceptions are satisfied. During the student-athlete's first academic year of full-time collegiate enrollment, such conditions may serve as a basis for a waiver of or an exception to the residence requirement only for Division I and Division II transfer students who, at the time of initial collegiate enrollment, met the requirements for "qualifiers" (set forth in Bylaw 14.3.1) in the division to which they are transferring. (*Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

14.5.5.3.1 Educational Exchange Exception. The student returns to his or her original institution under any of the following conditions:

- (a) After participation in a cooperative educational exchange program, provided the student is to receive a baccalaureate degree from the institution from which the student transferred to participate in the exchange program;
- (b) After one semester or quarter of attendance at another institution for purposes of taking academic courses not available at the original institution, regardless of whether they are required in the degree program the student-athlete is pursuing at the first institution. In such an instance, the student also may take additional courses that were available at the first institution; or

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- (c) After one academic year of attendance at another collegiate institution, in accordance with the program recommended by the appropriate academic officer at the original institution, provided the student was in good academic standing at the time the student left the original institution.

14.5.5.3.2 Exchange-Student Exception. The student is enrolled in the certifying institution for a specified period of time as a bona fide exchange student participating in a formal educational exchange program that is an established requirement of the student-athlete's curriculum. *(Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/92)*

14.5.5.3.3 Discontinued Academic Program Exception. The certifying institution concludes that the student changed institutions in order to continue a major course of study because the original institution discontinued the academic program in the student's major. *(Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00)*

14.5.5.3.4 Foreign-Student-Program Exception. The individual is a foreign student who is required to transfer (one or more times) because of a study program predetermined by the government of the student's nation or the sponsoring educational organization.

14.5.5.3.5 Military-Service, Church-Mission Exception. The student returns from at least 18 months of active service in the armed forces of the United States, or from at least 18 months of active service on an official church mission.

14.5.5.3.5.1 Collegiate Enrollment Concurrent with Military Service. The amount of time that an individual is enrolled as a regular student in a collegiate institution while concurrently on active military duty or engaged in active service on an official church mission may not be counted as a part of the 18-month active-duty period that qualifies a student for an exception to the transfer residence requirement.

14.5.5.3.6 Discontinued-Non-sponsored-Sport Exception. In a particular sport when the student transfers at any time to the certifying institution and participates in the sport on the intercollegiate level after any of the following conditions has occurred:

- (a) The student's original four-year collegiate institution dropped the sport (in which the student has practiced or competed at that institution in intercollegiate competition) from its intercollegiate program; or
- (b) The student's original four-year collegiate institution reclassified the sport (in which the student has practiced or competed at that institution in intercollegiate competition) from Division I to Division III status, and the student subsequently had not competed in that sport on the Division III level; or
- (c) The student's original four-year collegiate institution never sponsored the sport on the intercollegiate level while the student was in attendance at the institution, provided the student had never transferred from any other collegiate institution that offered intercollegiate competition in that particular sport.

14.5.5.3.6.1 Original Institution. In applying this provision for an exception to the residence requirement, the original collegiate institution shall be the one in which the student was enrolled immediately before transfer to the certifying institution, it being understood that, if the student is transferring from an institution that never sponsored the sport on the intercollegiate level, the student never shall have attended any other collegiate institution that offered intercollegiate competition in that sport.

14.5.5.3.7 Two-Year Nonparticipation Exception. The student transfers to the certifying institution from another four-year college and, for a consecutive two-year period immediately before the date on which the student begins participation (practice and/or competition), the student has neither practiced nor competed in the involved sport in intercollegiate competition, or has neither practiced nor competed in organized noncollegiate amateur competition while enrolled as a full-time student in a collegiate institution. This two-year period does not include any period of time before the student's initial collegiate enrollment. *(Revised: 1/10/95)*

14.5.5.3.8 Return to Original Institution without Participation Exception. The student enrolls at a second four-year collegiate institution, does not practice or compete in the involved sport at the second institution and returns to the original institution.

14.5.5.3.9 Nonrecruited Student Exception. The student transfers to the certifying institution, and the following conditions are met:

- (a) The student-athlete was not recruited by the certifying institution (per Bylaw 13.02.9.1);
- (b) No athletically related financial assistance has been received by the student-athlete; and

- (c) The student-athlete has neither practiced nor competed in intercollegiate athletics before transfer, except that a student may have participated in limited preseason tryouts.

14.5.5.3.10 One-Time Transfer Exception. The student transfers to the certifying institution from another four-year collegiate institution, and all of the following conditions are met (for graduate students, see also Bylaw 14.1.7.1):

- (a) The student is a participant in a sport other than Division I basketball, Division I-A football or Division I men's ice hockey at the institution to which the student is transferring. A participant in Division I-AA football at the institution to which the student is transferring may use this exception only if the participant transferred to the certifying institution from an institution that sponsors Division I-A football; *(Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/10/95)*
- (b) The student has not transferred previously from one four-year institution, unless, in the previous transfer, the student-athlete received an exception per Bylaw 14.5.5.3.7 (discontinued/nonsponsored sport exception); *(Revised: 1/11/94, 1/11/97)*
- (c) The student is in good academic standing and meets the satisfactory-progress requirements. The transferring student must be one who would have been academically eligible had he or she remained at the institution from which the student transferred, and he or she also must be eligible at the certifying institution as a regularly enrolled, full-time, degree-seeking student who was admitted in accordance with the regular, published entrance requirements of the institution; *(Revised: 1/10/95, 1/9/96)*
- (d) The student's previous institution certifies in writing that it has no objection to the student's being granted an exception to the transfer residence requirement. If the student's previous institution denies his or her request for the release, the institution shall inform the student-athlete in writing that he or she, on request, shall be provided a hearing conducted by an institutional entity or committee outside of the athletics department (e.g., the office of student affairs; office of the dean of students; or a committee composed of the faculty athletics representative, student-athletes and nonathletics faculty/staff members). The institution shall have established reasonable procedures for promptly hearing such a request; *(Revised: 1/11/94)*
- (e) If the student transfers to the certifying institution from a Division III member institution and meets the foregoing conditions, he or she may be eligible to compete but shall not receive athletically related financial aid during the first academic year in residence at the certifying institution.

14.5.5.4 Competition in Year of Transfer. A transfer student from a four-year institution, who has received a waiver of or exception to the transfer residence requirement (per Bylaw 14.5.5.3), is not eligible to compete during the segment that concludes with the NCAA championship at the certifying institution if the student-athlete has competed during that segment of the same academic year in that sport at the previous four-year institution. *(Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95)*

14.5.6 "4-2-4" College Transfers. A student who transfers from a four-year college to a two-year college and then to the certifying institution shall complete one academic year of residence at the certifying institution, unless the student has completed a minimum of 24-semester or 36-quarter hours at the two-year college after transfer from the four-year college most recently attended, one calendar year has elapsed since the student's departure from the previous four-year college, and the student has graduated from the two-year college. The 24-semester or 36-quarter hours must be transferable-degree credit to the certifying institution with a cumulative minimum grade-point average of 2.000 (see Bylaw 14.5.4.4.3.2); *(Revised: 1/10/90)*

14.5.6.1 Exceptions. A "4-2-4" transfer student who does not meet the requirements of Bylaw 14.5.6 is not subject to the residence requirement for intercollegiate competition, if any of the following conditions is met:

- (a) The student returns to the four-year college from which he or she transferred to the two-year college, provided the student did not have an unfulfilled residence requirement at the time of the transfer from the four-year college. The amount of time originally spent in residence at the first four-year college may be used by the student in completing the unfulfilled residence requirement at that institution;
- (b) The student initially was enrolled in a four-year collegiate institution that never sponsored the student's sport on the intercollegiate level while the student was in attendance at the institution (provided the student never had attended any other four-year collegiate institution that offered intercollegiate competition in that particular sport) and provided the student was a qualifier and satisfactorily completed an average of at least 12-semester or -quarter hours of transferable-degree credit acceptable toward any baccalaureate degree program at the certifying institution during each academic term of attendance with an accumulative minimum grade-point average of

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2,000 (see Bylaw 14.5.4.4.3.2), and spent at least two semesters or three quarters in residence at the two-year college (excluding summer sessions); or *(Adopted: 1/11/89)*

- (c) In Division II only, for a consecutive two-year period immediately before the date on which the student begins participation (practice and/or competition), the student has neither practiced nor competed in the involved sport in intercollegiate competition or has neither practiced nor competed in organized noncollegiate amateur competition while enrolled as a full-time student in a collegiate institution. This two-year period does not include any period of time before the student's initial collegiate enrollment. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

14.5.6.2 Calendar-Year Time Lapse. It is not required that the calendar year specified in Bylaw 14.5.6 elapse before the student's initial enrollment as a regular student in the second four-year institution, but the calendar year must elapse before the student represents the certifying institution in intercollegiate competition. However, the student-athlete shall be eligible on the first day of classes or on the date of the first scheduled intercollegiate contest that falls earlier than the first day of classes in the regular academic term in which the student would become eligible, provided the student has fulfilled the one-academic-year requirement.

14.5.6.3 Transfer before Completion of Requirements. The transfer requirement set forth in Bylaw 14.5.6 must be met before the student-athlete's transfer to the certifying institution. Thus, if a student-athlete transfers from a four-year institution to a two-year college and, before completing the applicable transfer requirements, transfers to a Division I or II institution, the student-athlete shall be subject to the one-year residence requirement, even though during the course of that one-year residence at the certifying institution, the student-athlete may complete the necessary requirements.

14.6 HIGH-SCHOOL ALL-STAR GAMES, EFFECTS ON ELIGIBILITY

A student-athlete shall be denied the first year of intercollegiate athletics competition if, after completion of high-school eligibility in the student-athlete's sport and before the student-athlete's high-school graduation, the student-athlete competes in more than two all-star football contests or two all-star basketball contests. (See Bylaw 30.2.1.1 for definition of high-school all-star contest.)

14.7 OUTSIDE COMPETITION, EFFECTS ON ELIGIBILITY

The eligibility of a student-athlete who engages in outside competition (see Bylaw 17.02.9) is affected as set forth in the following regulations.

14.7.1 Outside Competition, Sports Other Than Basketball. A student-athlete becomes ineligible for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in his or her sport (other than basketball) if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate season in the sport (see Bylaws 14.7.5 and 14.7.6 for exceptions and waivers) unless restored to eligibility before that time by the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee. *(Revised: 1/16/93, 1/11/94)*

14.7.2 Outside Competition, Basketball. A student-athlete who participates in any organized basketball competition except while representing the institution in intercollegiate competition in accordance with the permissible playing season specified in Bylaw 17.5 becomes ineligible for any further intercollegiate competition in the sport of basketball (see Bylaws 14.7.5 and 14.7.6 for exceptions and waivers).

14.7.3 Additional Applications of Outside-Competition Regulations, Sports Other Than Basketball

14.7.3.1 Definition of Team Member. A student-athlete is considered to be a member of the institution's team in a sport in any specified year when the student meets any of the conditions set forth in Bylaw 14.7.3.2 and/or reports for practice or competition in that sport in that year. Thereafter, for purposes of this rule, the student-athlete is considered to be a member of that team for the remainder of the season.

14.7.3.1.1 Exception. A student-athlete who fails to make the institution's team after participation only in limited preseason tryouts shall not be considered a member of the team for purposes of this regulation. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

14.7.3.2 Eligibility Status. A student-athlete is considered to be a member of the institution's team, and therefore bound by this regulation in that sport, if the student-athlete:

- (a) Does not practice or compete but is receiving athletically related financial aid for the sport; or
- (b) Is ineligible to compete but practiced with a squad or team in the sport; or

- (c) Is eligible to compete but was not permitted to do so, other than taking part in practice sessions with the squad or team in the sport.

14.7.3.2.1 Exception. A student-athlete who fails to make the institution's team after participation only in limited preseason tryouts shall not be considered a member of the team for purposes of this regulation. (*Adopted: 1/16/93*)

14.7.3.3 Competition between Seasons. If an institution conducts separate fall and spring practice or playing seasons in a sport, it is permissible for a student-athlete to participate in that sport on an outside team during the period between the two seasons without affecting his or her eligibility. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93*)

14.7.3.4 Postseason Competition. An institution's intercollegiate season includes any scheduled participation in the conference championship in the sport in question but excludes the period between the last regularly scheduled competition and the NCAA championship in that sport.

14.7.3.5 Competition as Individual/Not Representing Institution. It is permissible for a student-athlete to participate in outside competition as an individual during the academic year in the student-athlete's sport, as long as the student-athlete represents only himself or herself in the competition and does not engage in such competition as a member of or receive expenses from an outside team.

14.7.3.6 Exempt Teams. In the individual sports (see Bylaw 17.02.13.2), such units as "pro-am" golf teams, doubles tennis teams, and relay teams in track and field are not considered to be outside teams for purposes of this legislation.

14.7.4 Additional Applications of Outside-Competition Regulations, Basketball

14.7.4.1 Organized Basketball Competition. Outside basketball competition, including competition involving teams with fewer than five players, shall be considered "organized" if any one of the following conditions exists:

- (a) Teams are regularly formed, or team rosters are predetermined;
- (b) Competition is scheduled and publicized in advance;
- (c) Official score is kept;
- (d) Individual or team standings are maintained;
- (e) Official timer or game officials are used;
- (f) Team uniforms are used;
- (g) Admission is charged;
- (h) A team is privately or commercially sponsored; or
- (i) Competition is either directly or indirectly sponsored, promoted or administered by an individual, an organization or any other agency.

14.7.4.2 Individual Subject to Outside-Competition Regulations. Once a student-athlete becomes a candidate for the institution's basketball team (i.e., has reported for the squad), or if the student was recruited by a member institution in part for basketball ability and subsequently enrolls in the institution, this prohibition against outside organized basketball competition remains applicable until the student-athlete's intercollegiate basketball eligibility has been exhausted. This includes time while the student is officially withdrawn from college, fulfilling a residence requirement subsequent to transfer to another college, awaiting transfer or enrolled in a nonmember collegiate institution.

14.7.4.3 Nonrecruited, Nonparticipant. Participation by a student-athlete in organized basketball competition while enrolled in a member institution and having participated in a sport other than basketball would not jeopardize the student's eligibility in the sport of basketball, if the individual had not been recruited in basketball and had not participated on or been a candidate for the institution's intercollegiate basketball team.

14.7.5 Exceptions to Outside-Competition Regulations. The following exceptions to the outside-competition regulations are permitted.

14.7.5.1 In All Sports:

- (a) **High-School Alumni Game.** A student-athlete may compete in one game a year involving players from the student-athlete's former high school and its alumni team. In sports other than basketball, this game must take place during an official vacation period of the institution's academic year.
- (b) **Olympic Games.** A student-athlete may participate in the official Olympic Games, in final tryouts that directly qualify competitors for the Olympic Games and in officially recognized competition directly qualifying participants for final Olympic Games tryouts. (*Revised: 1/14/9 effective 8/1/97*)

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- (c) **Official Pan American Games Tryouts and Competition.** A student-athlete may participate in official Pan American Games tryouts and competition. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- (d) **U.S. National Teams.** A student-athlete may participate in official tryouts and competition involving national teams sponsored by the appropriate national governing bodies of the U.S. Olympic Committee (or, for the student-athletes representing another nation, the equivalent organization of that nation or, for student-athletes competing in a non-Olympic sport, the equivalent organization of that sport). (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- (e) **Official World Championships and World Cup Tryouts and Competition.** A student-athlete may participate in official World Championships and World Cup tryouts and competition. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- (f) **Multisport Events.** A student-athlete may participate in officially recognized state and national multisport events. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

14.7.5.2 Additional Exceptions for Basketball Only:

- (a) **Summer Competition.** There are no restrictions on the participation of student-athletes in outside basketball competition during the summer. (*Revised: 1/14/97*)
- (b) **Puerto Rico Superior Basketball League.** A student-athlete who is a resident of Puerto Rico may participate in the Superior Basketball League of Puerto Rico.
- (c) **United States vs. U.S. National Teams.** A student-athlete may participate in the United States against U.S. national teams. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

- + **14.7.5.3 National-Team Criteria.** The criteria for determining a national team under this regulation are set forth in Bylaw 30.8.1. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

14.7.6 Collegiate All-Star Contests. A student-athlete who competes as a member of a squad in any college all-star football or basketball contest shall be denied further intercollegiate eligibility in that sport.

14.8 ADDITIONAL WAIVERS FOR ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Conditions under which exceptions are permitted or waivers may be granted to specific eligibility requirements in this bylaw are noted in other sections of this bylaw. Other than these, there shall be no waiver by the Association of any of the provisions of this bylaw except as follows.

14.8.1 Management Council Waivers. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may waive specific provisions of this bylaw as follows.

14.8.1.1 Academic and General Requirements. The academic and general eligibility requirements may be waived under the following conditions or circumstances:

- (a) For student-athletes in times of national emergency;
- (b) For member institutions that have instituted a trimester or other accelerated academic program, provided any member institution applying for a waiver shall demonstrate a reasonable need for such waiver. Further, the Management Council shall grant no waiver that permits a student-athlete to compete in more than four seasons of intercollegiate competition. Under the waiver allowed, if a student in an accelerated academic program completes the requirements for a degree before completing eligibility, the student may participate in competition that begins within 90 days after completion of the requirements for the degree. The Management Council shall include a report of each such exception in its annual report to the Convention; and
- (c) For institutions that have suffered extraordinary personnel losses from one or more of their intercollegiate athletics teams due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.

14.8.1.2 Residence Requirement. The one-year residence requirement for student-athletes may be waived under the following conditions or circumstances:

- (a) For a student-athlete who transfers to a member institution for reasons of health. Such request for waiver shall be initiated by the member institution from which the student-athlete is transferring and shall be supported by medical recommendations of that institution's team physician and/or the student-athlete's personal physician;
- (b) For a student-athlete who transfers to a member institution after loss of eligibility due to a violation of the regulation prohibiting pay for participation in intercollegiate athletics (see Bylaw 12.1.1) or a violation of recruiting regulations (see Bylaw 13.01.1), or for a student-athlete who transfers to a Division I institution after loss of eligibility due to involvement in a violation of the freshman or transfer eligibility requirements for financial aid, practice and competition set forth in Bylaws 14.3.1, 14.5.4, 14.5.5 and 14.5.6. The Management Council may waive these require-

ments only upon a determination of the innocence or inadvertent involvement of the student-athlete in the violation;

- (c) On the recommendation of the Committee on Infractions, for a student-athlete who transfers to a member institution to continue the student-athlete's opportunity for full participation in a sport because the student-athlete's original institution was placed on probation by the NCAA with sanctions that would preclude the institution's team in that sport from participating in postseason competition during all of the remaining seasons of the student-athlete's eligibility (see also Bylaw 13.1.1.3.3). *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

14.9 U.S. SERVICE ACADEMIES, SPECIAL ELIGIBILITY PROVISIONS

14.9.1 Five-Year/10-Semester Rule. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the five-year/10-semester rule (see Bylaw 14.2) for student-athletes of the national service academies who have exhausted eligibility in one sport but wish to compete in another sport or sports in which they have eligibility remaining.

14.9.2 Transfer Status. A student who has attended as a freshman (plebe) only in the official summer-enrollment program of one of the four national service academies is not considered a transfer in the application of the transfer regulations of Bylaw 14.5.

14.10 CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

14.10.1 Institutional Responsibility for Eligibility Certification. The chief executive officer is responsible for approving the procedures for certifying the eligibility of an institution's student-athletes under NCAA legislation. The chief executive officer may designate an individual on the institution's staff to administer proper certification of eligibility.

14.10.1.1 Eligibility Form—International Student-Athlete. The eligibility of an international student-athlete shall be certified on a form approved by the Management Council. The completed form shall be maintained on file at the institution with other eligibility documents and shall be available for examination on request by the NCAA, and, if the institution is a member of a conference, an authorized conference representative. *(Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95 for those student-athletes first entering an NCAA institution on or after 8/1/95)*

14.10.2 Squad-List Form. The institution's athletics director shall compile on a form approved by the Management Council a list of the squad members in each sport on the first day of competition and shall indicate thereon the status of each member in the designated categories. A student-athlete's name must be on the official institutional form in order for the student to be eligible to represent the institution in intercollegiate competition. Violations of this bylaw do not affect a student-athlete's eligibility, if the violation occurred due to an institutional administrative error or oversight, and the student-athlete is subsequently added to the form; however, the violation shall be considered an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1. (See Bylaw 30.13 for details about the administration of the squad list.) *(Revised: 1/14/97)*

14.11 INELIGIBILITY

14.11.1 Obligation of Member Institution to Withhold Student-Athlete from Competition. If a student-athlete is ineligible under the provisions of the constitution, bylaws or other regulations of the Association, the institution shall be obligated to apply immediately the applicable rule and to withhold the student-athlete from all intercollegiate competition. The institution may appeal to the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee for restoration of the student-athlete's eligibility as provided in Bylaw 14.12, if it concludes that the circumstances warrant restoration.

14.11.2 Ineligibility Resulting from Recruiting Violation. An institution shall not enter a student-athlete (as an individual or as a member of a team) in any intercollegiate competition, if it is acknowledged by the institution or established through the Association's enforcement procedures that the institution or representative(s) of its athletics interests violated the Association's legislation in the recruiting of the student-athlete. The institution may appeal to the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee for restoration of the student-athlete's eligibility as provided in Bylaw 14.12, if it concludes that circumstances warrant restoration.

14.11.2.1 Payment of Legal Fees during Appeal. A member institution may provide actual and necessary expenses for a prospect to attend proceedings conducted by the institution, its athletics conference or the NCAA that relate to the prospect's eligibility to participate in intercollegiate athletics, provided the prospect either has signed a National Letter of Intent with the institution or (if the institution is not a subscribing member of the National Letter of Intent program) the prospect has been accepted for enrollment by the institution and has provided written confirmation of his or her intent to enroll at the institution.

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The cost of legal representation in such proceedings also may be provided by the institution (or a representative of its athletics interests).

14.11.3 Application of Ineligibility Ruling Pending Appeal. Once an official interpretation (per Bylaw 5.4.1.2) applicable to a member institution has been issued and results in the ineligibility of a student-athlete, it is necessary for the institution to apply the rule to the eligibility of the student-athlete, even if review of the interpretation (per Bylaws 5.4.1.2 or 5.4.1.4) at the request of the institution is pending. Failure to withhold such a student-athlete from competition is a violation of the conditions and obligations of membership.

14.11.4 Ineligible Participation

14.11.4.1 Loss of Eligibility. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition in a sport, if he or she participates in intercollegiate competition in that sport while ineligible under this bylaw or other applicable NCAA legislation. The certifying institution may appeal to the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee for restoration of the student-athlete's eligibility, if it concludes that the circumstances warrant restoration (see Bylaw 14.12).

14.11.4.2 Penalty for Ineligible Participation in NCAA Championship. An ineligible student-athlete who participates in an NCAA championship forfeits eligibility for all NCAA championships for one season. The one season shall be the season immediately after disclosure of the ineligible participation.

14.11.4.3 Penalty for Ineligible Participation or Receipt of Improper Aid. A student-athlete who practices or competes in intercollegiate athletics and/or receives institutional financial assistance (based in some degree on athletics ability) while ineligible for such aid, practice or competition per Bylaw 14.3 shall be charged with the loss of one year of eligibility for practice and varsity competition for each year gained improperly. The student-athlete shall be declared ineligible at the time it is determined that eligibility was gained improperly. Before declaring the student-athlete ineligible, the institution may provide the student-athlete an opportunity for a hearing. The institution may appeal to the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee for a reduction in the period of ineligibility. The loss of eligibility shall apply only to the institution involved in the violation.

14.12 RESTORATION OF ELIGIBILITY

14.12.1 Basis for Appeal. When a student-athlete is determined to be ineligible under any applicable provision of the constitution, bylaws or other regulations of the Association, the member institution, having applied the applicable rule and having withheld the student-athlete from all intercollegiate competition, may appeal to the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee for restoration of the student's eligibility, provided the institution concludes that the circumstances warrant restoration of eligibility.

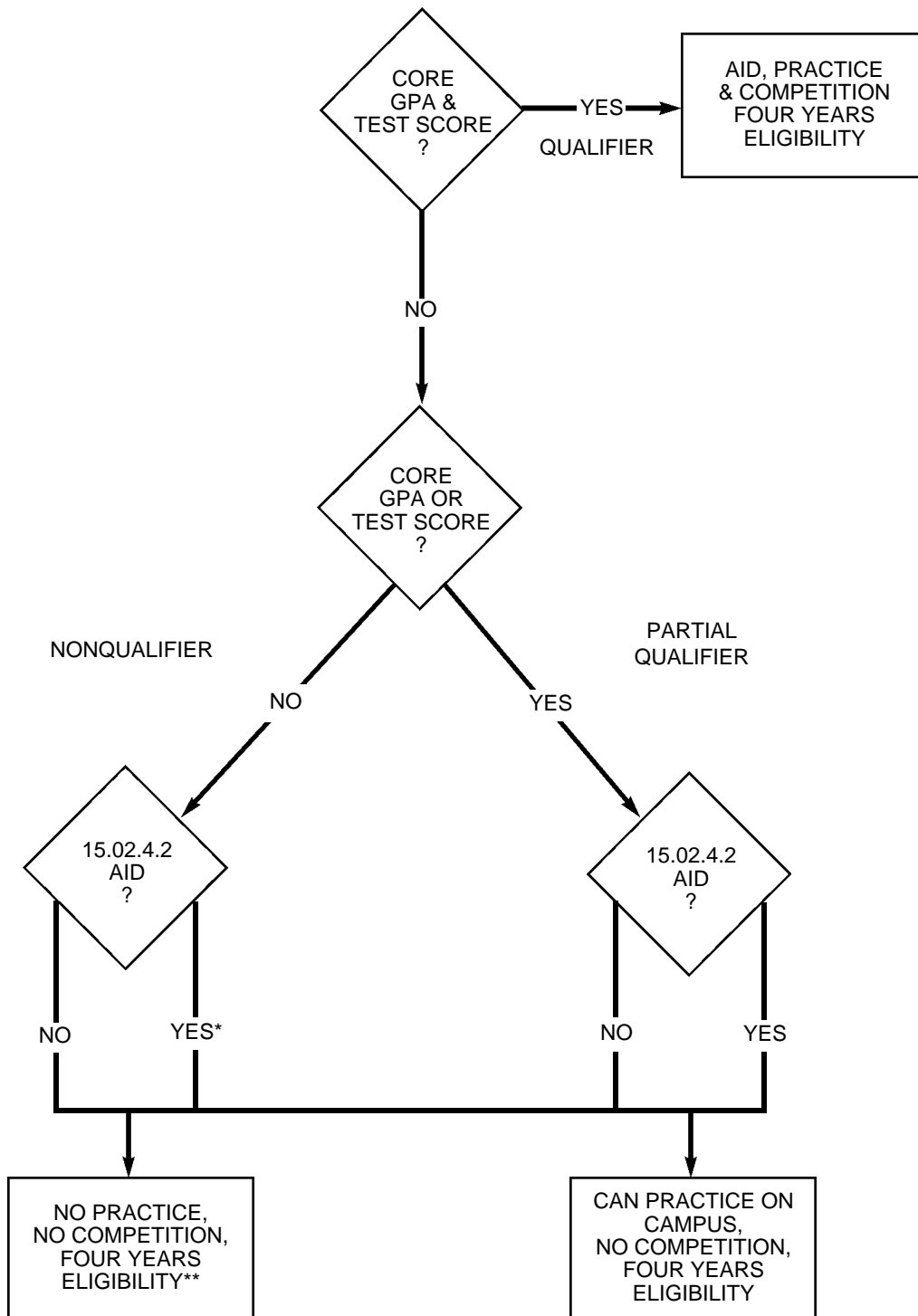
14.12.2 Participation in Appeal Hearing. Any appeal to restore a student-athlete's eligibility shall be submitted in the name of the institution by the chief executive officer (or an individual designated by the chief executive officer), faculty athletics representative, senior woman administrator or athletics director (for the men's or women's program). At least one of those individuals must participate in any hearing of the appeal that involves direct participation by the student-athlete or other individuals representing the institution or the student. (*Revised:1/11/94*)

14.12.3 Student Responsibility, Relationship to Restoration of Eligibility. A student-athlete is responsible for his or her involvement in a secondary or major violation of NCAA regulations (as defined in Bylaws 19.02.2.1 and 19.02.2.2), and the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee may restore the eligibility of a student involved in any violation only when circumstances clearly warrant restoration. The eligibility of a student-athlete involved in a major violation shall not be restored other than through an exception authorized by the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee in a unique case on the basis of specifically stated reasons.

FIGURE 14-1
Minimum Core-Curriculum and Grade-Point Average
Requirements for Initial Eligibility

Courses	Rule in effect before August 1, 1995	Effective August 1, 1995 (for those student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 1995)
English	3 years	3 years
Mathematics	2 years	2 years
Natural/physical science	2 years	2 years
Social science	2 years	2 years
Additional academic courses in English, math or natural/physical science	—	2 years
Additional academic courses in any of the above areas or foreign language, computer science, philosophy or nondoctrinal religion	2 years	2 years
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Core-curriculum grade-point average	2.000	2.000

FIGURE 14-2
Relationships between Academic Requirements, Recruitment,
Financial Aid and Eligibility (Bylaw 14.3) for High-School Graduates
First Entering during the 2000-01 Academic Year



*Must be certified as not related to athletics ability.

**Student-athletes who have exhausted three seasons of competition in Division I shall not be eligible for a fourth season of competition in Division II.

FIGURE 14-3**Initial Eligibility**

How 2000-01 legislation (NCAA Bylaw 14.3) affects student-athletes during their initial year of college attendance.

Are they eligible for...	Qualifier	Partial Qualifier	Nonqualifier
Academic/tutoring services	Yes	Yes	Yes
Competition	Yes	No	No
Complimentary admissions			
One for self; all regular-season home athletics contests	Yes	Yes	Yes
Four complimentary admissions; home or away contests in the student-athlete's sport	Yes	Yes (only at home contests)	No
Conditioning program (including workout apparel)	Yes	Yes	Yes (supervised only by institution's strength coach or trainer)
Drug-rehabilitation expenses	Yes	Yes	Yes
Financial aid			
Regular term	Yes	Yes	Yes in Division II (if aid is unrelated to athletics ability)
Institutional Awards			
Banquets—Expenses/Meals	Yes	Yes	No
Summer-orientation program (subject to the conditions of Bylaw 15.2.8.1.2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Summer school before initial year (subject to the conditions of Bylaw 15.2.8.1.2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Training table	Yes	Yes	No (unless student-athlete pays full cost)
Insurance, athletics medical	Yes	Yes	Yes
Outside competition (basketball)			
During the season	No (except intramurals)	No (except intramurals)	No (except intramurals)
During remainder of the academic year (other than during the season)	No (except intramurals)	No (except intramurals)	No (except intramurals)
Summer after initial academic year	Yes	Yes	Yes

Figure 14-3

Are they eligible for...	Qualifier	Partial Qualifier	Nonqualifier
Outside competition (sports other than basketball)			
During the season	No (except intramurals and individual competition)	No (except intramurals and individual competition)	No (except intramurals and individual competition)
During remainder of the academic year (other than during the season)	Yes	No (except intramurals and individual competition)	No (except intramurals and individual competition)
Summer after initial academic year	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tryouts for NCAA-approved outside teams	Yes	Yes	Yes
Practice	Yes	Yes (on campus only)	No
Promotional materials, inclusion of photos in media guide, game programs, brochures, etc.	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rehabilitation expenses (postsurgical) for injury unrelated to athletics participation	Yes (when rehab is necessary to prepare for practice and competition)	Yes (when rehab is necessary to prepare for practice and competition)	Yes (when rehab is necessary to prepare for practice and competition)
Student host	Yes	Yes	No
Surgical expenses for injury during voluntary workout	Yes	Yes	Yes
Team manager	Yes	No	No
Team travel	Yes	No	No
Training-room facilities (in conjunction with weight-training program)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Weight training	Yes	Yes	Yes (supervised only by institution's strength coach or trainer)

Financial Aid

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15.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

15.01.1 Institutional Financial Aid Permitted. A student-athlete may receive scholarships or educational grants-in-aid administered by (see Bylaw 15.02.1) an educational institution that do not conflict with the governing legislation of this Association.

15.01.1.1 Financial Aid to Attend Another Institution. An institution may not provide financial aid to a student-athlete to attend another institution, except as specifically authorized by NCAA legislation.
(Adopted: 1/16/93)

15.01.2 Improper Financial Aid. Any student-athlete who receives financial aid other than that permitted by the Association shall not be eligible for intercollegiate athletics.

15.01.3 Financial Aid Not Administered by Institution. Any student who receives financial aid other than that administered by the student-athlete's institution shall not be eligible for intercollegiate athletics competition, unless it is specifically approved under the Association's rules of amateurism (see Bylaw 12) or the aid is:

- (a) Received from one on whom the student-athlete is naturally or legally dependent;
- (b) Awarded solely on bases having no relationship to athletics ability;
- (c) Awarded through an established and continuing program to aid students, of which athletics participation shall not be the major criterion (e.g., National Merit Scholarship), under the conditions listed in Bylaw 15.2.5.3; or
- (d) Awarded through an established and continuing program for recognition of outstanding high-school graduates, of which athletics participation may be a major criterion (e.g., honorary high-school award), under the conditions listed in Bylaw 15.2.5.4.

15.01.4 Contributions by Donor. An individual may contribute funds to finance a scholarship or grant-in-aid for a particular sport, but the decision as to how such funds are to be allocated in the sport shall rest exclusively with the institution. It is not permissible for a donor to contribute funds to finance a scholarship or grant-in-aid for a particular student-athlete.

15.01.5 Eligibility of Student-Athletes for Institutional Financial Aid. A student-athlete must meet applicable NCAA (see Bylaw 14), conference and institutional regulations to be eligible for institutional financial aid. If these regulations are met, the student-athlete may be awarded institutional financial aid during any term in which a student-athlete is in regular attendance [i.e., was enrolled initially in a minimum full-time program of studies as defined by the certifying institution during that term (see Bylaw 15.2.7 for summer-term exception)] under the following circumstances:

- (a) The student-athlete is an undergraduate with eligibility remaining under Bylaw 14.2 (five-year/10-semester rule);
- (b) The student-athlete is a graduate student eligible under Bylaw 14.1.7; or
- (c) Within six years after initial enrollment in a collegiate institution (provided the student does not receive such aid for more than five years during that period); however, after the six-year period expires, this restriction shall apply only to unearned athletics aid for which the athletics department intercedes on behalf of the student-athlete.

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(Note: See Bylaw 13.1.1.3 for the financial aid implications in the prohibition against contacting student-athletes of another four-year collegiate institution without permission of that institution's athletics director.)

15.01.6 Institutional Financial Aid to Professional Athlete. An institution may not award financial aid to a student-athlete who is under contract to or currently receiving compensation from a professional sports organization (see Bylaw 15.3.1.4).

15.01.7 Maximum Institutional Financial Aid to Individual. An institution shall not award financial aid to a student-athlete that exceeds the cost of attendance that normally is incurred by students enrolled in a comparable program at that institution or that exceeds the limitations established by the membership division of the institution the student-athlete attends, whichever is less. Any financial aid permitted by a division that would result in a student-athlete's total financial aid exceeding the value of tuition and fees, room and board and required course-related books shall be based on the demonstrated financial need of the individual student-athlete (see Bylaws 15.02.4, 15.2.3 and 15.5.3).

15.01.8 Nonrecruited Student-Athlete. If a student-athlete was not recruited and receives institutional financial aid unrelated to athletics ability and in excess of a full grant-in-aid, the student may retain the aid for the period of the award without any adjustment. Once the original period of the award expires, renewal of the same financial aid in excess of the limitation is permissible only if the aid is renewed on the same basis as originally awarded.

15.01.9 Sport-by-Sport Financial Aid Limitations. A membership division may establish limitations on the number of financial aid awards a member institution may provide to countable student-athletes (counters) (see Bylaw 15.5.3).

15.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

15.02.1 "Administered By." Financial aid is administered by an institution, if the institution, through its regular committee or other agency for the awarding of financial aid to students generally, makes the final determination of the student-athlete who is to receive the award and of its value.

15.02.2 Cost of Attendance. The "cost of attendance" is an amount calculated by an institutional financial aid office, using federal regulations, that includes the total cost of tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies, transportation, and other expenses related to attendance at the institution. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

15.02.2.1 Calculation of Cost of Attendance. An institution must calculate the cost of attendance for student-athletes in accordance with the cost-of-attendance policies and procedures that are used for students in general. Accordingly, if an institution's policy allows for students' direct and indirect costs (e.g., tuition, fees, room and board, books, supplies, transportation, child care, cost related to a disability and miscellaneous personal expenses) to be adjusted on an individual basis from the institution's standard cost figure, it is permissible to make the same adjustment for student-athletes, provided the adjustment is documented and is available on an equitable basis to all students with similar circumstances who request an adjustment. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

15.02.3 Counter. A "counter" is an individual who is receiving institutional financial aid that is countable against the aid limitations established in a sport by the institution's membership division.

15.02.4 Financial Aid. "Financial aid" is funds provided to student-athletes from various sources to pay or assist in paying their cost of education at the institution. As used in NCAA legislation, "financial aid" includes all institutional financial aid and other permissible financial aid as set forth below.

15.02.4.1 Institutional Financial Aid. The following sources of financial aid are considered to be institutional financial aid:

- (a) All funds administered by the institution, which include but are not limited to the following:
(Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)
 - (1) Scholarships;
 - (2) Grants;
 - (3) Tuition waivers;
 - (4) Employee dependent tuition benefits;
 - (5) Loans; and
 - (6) On-campus employment (including work-study program assistance) in the athletics department and on-campus employment outside the athletics department for which the athletics interests of the institution intercede on behalf of the student-athlete (other than institutional staff members responsible for assisting all students in securing on-campus employment, including work study, in the same manner);

- (b) Aid from government or private sources for which the institution is responsible for selecting the recipient or determining the amount of aid, or providing matching or supplementary funds for a previously determined recipient;
- (c) Off-campus employment earnings and other sources of aid for which the athletics interests of the institution intercede on behalf of the recipient; and *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
- (d) For the student-athlete recruited by the institution, financial aid awarded through an established and continuing outside program (e.g., National Football Foundation) for the recognition of outstanding high-school graduates in which athletics participation may be a major criterion, as outlined in Bylaw 15.2.5.5. This aid counts against an institution's sport-by-sport financial aid limitations and also against the individual's full-grant-in-aid limit.

15.02.4.2 Other Permissible Financial Aid. The following sources of financial aid are also permitted:

- (a) Financial aid received from anyone on whom the student-athlete is naturally or legally dependent;
- (b) Financial aid awarded solely on bases having no relationship to athletics ability;
- (c) Financial aid awarded through an established and continuing outside program (e.g., National Merit Scholar) in which athletics participation is not the major criterion, as outlined in Bylaw 15.2.5.4, and which does not count against an institution's sport-by-sport financial aid limitations, but which counts against the recruited student-athlete's full-grant-in-aid limit;
- (d) For the student-athlete not recruited by the institution, financial aid awarded through an established and continuing outside program (e.g., National Football Foundation) for the recognition of outstanding high-school graduates, in which athletics participation may be a major criterion, as outlined in Bylaw 15.2.5.4. This aid does not count against an institution's sport-by-sport financial aid limitations but does count against the individual's full-grant-in-aid limit; and
- (e) Educational expenses awarded by the U.S. Olympic Committee, which count against an institution's sport-by-sport financial aid limitations and against the individual's full-grant-in-aid limit. *(Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95)*

15.02.4.3 Exempted Institutional Financial Aid. The following institutional financial aid is exempt and is not counted in determining a student-athlete's full grant-in-aid or in the institution's financial aid limitations:

- (a) An honorary award for outstanding academic achievement or an established institutional research grant that meets the criteria set forth in Bylaw 15.02.6; *(Revised: 1/10/91, 1/10/92)*
- (b) Legitimate loans, based upon a regular repayment schedule, available to all students and administered on the same basis for all students; and
- (c) Employment during official vacation periods. *(Adopted: 1/10/91)*

15.02.4.4 Exempted Government Grants. Government grants listed in Bylaw 15.2.4.1 shall not be included when determining the permissible amount of a full grant-in-aid or the cost of attendance for a student-athlete. *(Revised: 1/11/89)*

15.02.4.5 Exempted Employment Earnings. Employment earnings of a student-athlete who has exhausted eligibility in a particular sport shall not be included when determining the permissible amount of a full grant-in-aid or the cost of attendance for a student-athlete, provided the student-athlete subsequently does not practice or compete in intercollegiate athletics. *(Adopted: 1/10/90, Revised: 1/16/93, 1/11/94)*

15.02.5 Full Grant-in-Aid. A full grant-in-aid is financial aid that consists of tuition and fees, room and board, and required course-related books.

15.02.6 Honorary Academic Award/Research Grant. An honorary academic award for outstanding academic achievement or a research grant is an award that meets the following criteria:

- (a) The award or grant is published in the institution's catalog and is a standing scholarship award or an established research grant;
- (b) The basis for the award or grant shall be the candidate's academic record at the awarding institution; and
- (c) The award or grant shall be determined by competition among the students of a particular class or college of the institution.

15.1 MAXIMUM LIMIT ON FINANCIAL AID—INDIVIDUAL

A student-athlete shall not be eligible to participate in intercollegiate athletics, if he or she receives financial aid that exceeds the value of a full grant-in-aid as defined in Bylaw 15.02.5 (also see Bylaw 15.01.7).

See Figure 15-1, page 155, for financial aid maximum limits.

15.1.1 Types of Aid Included in Limit. In determining whether a student-athlete's financial aid exceeds the value of a full grant-in-aid, all institutional financial aid (per Bylaw 15.02.4.1) and all funds received from the following and similar sources shall be included:

- (a) **Employment.** Employment during semester or term time (which is an all-inclusive period from the opening to the closing of classes of the regular semester, quarter or term), except for legitimate off-campus employment; (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/14/97, Revised in Division I: 4/21/98 effective 8/1/98*)
- (b) **Government Grants.** Government grants for educational purposes, except for those listed in Bylaw 15.2.4;
- (c) **Other Scholarships and Grants.** Other institutional or outside scholarships or grants-in-aid, except an honorary academic award or research grant that is exempted and outside educational grants that may be awarded up to the cost of attendance per Bylaw 15.2.5.2.2; (*Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95*)
- (d) **Gifts.** The value of gifts given to a student-athlete after completion of eligibility in appreciation for or recognition of the student-athlete's athletics accomplishments;
- (e) **Professional Sports Stipend.** Any bonus or salary (no matter when received or contracted for) from a professional sports organization;
- (f) **Athletics Participation Compensation.** Any other income (no matter when received or contracted for) from participation in an athletics event unless eligibility has been exhausted in that sport; and (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94*)
- (g) **Loans.** Loans, except legitimate loans that are based upon a regular repayment schedule, available to all students and administered on the same basis for all students.

15.1.2 Recruited Student-Athlete Receiving Institutional Financial Aid. Unearned financial aid (excluding loans) administered by an institution to an athletically recruited student is considered to be athletically related financial aid and is subject to the limitations set forth in Bylaw 15.1.

15.1.2.1 Exception for Nonrecruited Student-Athlete. If a student-athlete was not recruited and receives financial aid unrelated to athletics ability and in excess of a full grant-in-aid, the student may retain the aid for the period of its award without any adjustment. Once the original period of the award expires, renewal of the same financial aid in excess of the limitation is permissible only if the aid is renewed on the same basis as originally awarded.

15.1.3 Reduction When Excess Aid Is Awarded. In the event that a student-athlete's financial aid from the sources listed in Bylaw 15.1.1, which includes institutional financial aid, will exceed a full grant-in-aid for the balance of the academic year, the institution shall reduce institutional financial aid so as not to exceed a full grant. Payments credited to a student-athlete's account that are not refundable by the institution to the scholarship office or other appropriate institutional agency shall not become the student's obligation.

15.2 ELEMENTS OF FINANCIAL AID

15.2.1 Tuition and Fees. An institution may provide a student-athlete financial aid that includes the actual cost of tuition and required institutional fees.

15.2.1.1 Permissible Fees. A student-athlete may be awarded financial aid that covers the payment of fees for a course in which the student-athlete is enrolled, if the course is part of the institution's regular curriculum (included in the institution's catalog of classes), and the institution pays these same fees for other students enrolled in the course who receive fees as a part of a grant-in-aid or scholarship.

15.2.1.2 Optional Fees. An institution may not pay fees for services offered on an optional basis to the student body in general (e.g., health insurance).

15.2.1.3 Noninstitutional Fees and Expenses. Fees paid by an institution are confined to required institutional fees and do not include noninstitutional fees or expenses (e.g., the cost of typing reports for student-athletes).

15.2.1.4 Fees and Related Expenses for Prospects. An institution shall not waive, pay in advance or guarantee payment of the following expenses for a prospective student-athlete, unless such benefits generally conform to institutional policy as it applies to other prospective student-grantees:

- (a) The institution's processing fee required before the admissions office's evaluation of the prospect's application;
- (b) The orientation-counseling tests fee required of all incoming freshmen;

- (c) The preadmission academic testing fee;
- (d) Advance tuition payment or room deposit;
- (e) Damage deposits for dormitory rooms;
- (f) ROTC deposits for military equipment; or
- (g) Any other preenrollment fees required of prospective student-grantees.

15.2.1.4.1 Fees Rebate. If the prospect enrolls and is awarded financial aid covering institutional fees, the fees described in (a) through (d) above may be rebated as a part of the institution's regular fees.

15.2.2 Room and Board. An institution may provide a student-athlete financial aid that includes the cost of room based on the official allowance for room as listed in the institution's official publication (e.g., catalog) and a board allowance that consists of three meals per day, even if the institution's maximum permissible award allowance for all students represents a lesser cost figure. *(Revised 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00)*

15.2.2.1 Off-Campus Room and Board Stipend. If a student-athlete lives and eats in noninstitutional facilities, the institution may pay the student-athlete an amount equal to the institution's official on-campus room allowance as listed in its catalog, or the average of the room costs of all of its students living on campus. The institution also may pay the student-athlete an amount that is equivalent to an on-campus 7-day or 21-meal board plan, excluding those meals provided as part of the training table. Meals provided on the training table shall be deducted at the regular-cost figure from such a student-athlete's board allowance. *(Revised: 1/10/92, 4/15/98, 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00)*

15.2.2.1.1 Determination of Off-Campus Room Costs. An institution with several official on-campus room rates listed in its catalog must use the average of the room cost for all students living on campus (based on a weighted average for all students who reside in on-campus facilities). *(Revised: 4/15/98)*

15.2.2.1.2 Determination of Off-Campus Board Costs. An institution with several on-campus board plans (e.g., 5-day, 7-day, 14-meal, 17-meal or 21-meal plans) may provide a student-athlete living in noninstitutional facilities with the equivalent of a 7-day or 21-meal plan at that institution. *(Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 4/15/98, 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00)*

15.2.2.1.3 Institution with No On-Campus Room and Board Facilities. If an institution does not provide an official dollar amount for room and board in its catalog and does not have on-campus student room and board facilities, the figure provided to student-athletes for off-campus room and board shall be the amount determined by the institution's office of financial aid as being commensurate with the average cost a student at that institution normally would incur living and eating in off-campus facilities. *(Adopted: 4/15/98)*

15.2.2.1.4 Married-Student Housing. Married student-athletes who live in noninstitutional housing are permitted to receive the same room and board allowance that is provided to married students with on-campus housing. If the institution does not provide on-campus room and board facilities for married students but has other on-campus dormitory facilities, it must use the provisions of Bylaw 15.2.2.1 in determining the amount of room-and-board expenses a married student-athlete who lives in noninstitutional facilities may receive. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

15.2.2.1.5 Cost-Free Apartment. It is permissible for the institution to arrange for a cost-free, off-campus apartment rather than to give a student-athlete an amount equal to the institution's official room allowance (as listed in its catalog), provided the apartment is not rented by the institution at a reduced rate. However, if the actual rental rate is more than the institutional room allowance, the student-athlete shall pay the additional amount from the student-athlete's own resources.

15.2.2.1.6 Training-Table Meals. The cost of meals provided on the institution's training table shall be deducted from a student-athlete's board allowance, even if the student-athlete is not receiving a full grant-in-aid. In determining the cost figure to be deducted, the institution may use the actual meal costs listed in the institution's catalog or the average meal costs of its student-athletes living on campus.

15.2.2.1.7 Game-Related Meals. The cost of meals provided for away-from-home practices and contests and pregame or postgame meals at home contests need not be deducted from a student-athlete's board allowance. Such meals also may be received by a student-athlete who is not receiving athletically related financial aid inasmuch as they constitute a benefit incidental to athletics participation.

15.2.2.2 Material Housing Benefits. An institution may not provide a benefit connected with on-campus or off-campus student-athletes' housing (e.g., individual television sets or stereo equipment, spe-

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cialized recreational facilities, room furnishings or appointments of extra quality or quantity) that is not available on the same basis in the housing provided to at least one-half of the other members of the student body who use on-campus housing facilities. Further, these material benefits shall be available for such students in approximately the same ratio as such benefits are available for student-athletes. Otherwise, dormitories with exclusive material housing benefits may not be used by student-athletes.

15.2.2.3 Facility Designated by Institution. It is permissible for the institution to require a grant-in-aid recipient to obtain room and board in a facility designated by the institution, provided the requirement is contained in the written statement outlining the amount, duration, conditions and terms of the financial aid agreement (see Bylaw 15.3.2.3).

15.2.2.4 Summer Dormitory Rentals. An institution may rent dormitory space to a prospective or enrolled student-athlete during the summer months at the regular institutional rate, if it is the institution's policy to make such dormitory space available on the same basis to all prospective or enrolled students.

15.2.2.5 Sunday Evening Meals. If the regular eating facility used by a student-athlete who is receiving an award that covers the cost of meals is not available for a given meal (e.g., Sunday evening meal), the institution may provide actual expenses to cover the cost of the meal, provided the meal is similar to those served at the university's regular dining facilities and is not excessive in nature.

15.2.2.6 Food Stamps. A grant-in-aid recipient who lives and eats off campus may use the money provided for his or her board to purchase governmental food stamps, provided the stamps are available to the student body in general. Additionally, the student-athlete must be eligible for such stamps without any special arrangements on the part of athletics department personnel or representatives of the institution's athletics interests.

15.2.3 Books. An institution may provide a student-athlete financial aid that covers the actual cost of required course-related books.

15.2.3.1 Dollar Limit. There is no dollar limit for books a student-athlete may receive, provided each book is required for a course in which the student-athlete is enrolled. The institution may provide the student-athlete with cash to purchase books, as long as the amount of cash provided is equal to the actual cost of the books purchased.

15.2.4 Government Grants. Government grants for educational purposes shall be included when determining the permissible amount of a full grant-in-aid for a student-athlete, except for those listed in Bylaw 15.2.4.1. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

15.2.4.1 Exempted Government Grants. The following government grants for educational purposes shall not be included when determining the permissible amount of a full grant-in-aid or cost of attendance of a student-athlete: (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)

- (a) **AmeriCorps Program.** Benefits received by student-athletes under the AmeriCorps Program; (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- (b) **Disabled Veterans.** State government awards to disabled veterans, provided such awards are approved by the Management Council by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting;
- (c) **Military Reserve Training Programs.** Payments to student-athletes for participation in military reserve training programs (e.g., payments by the U.S. government for a student's participation in advanced ROTC or National Guard training shall not be construed under this principle to be "employment" during semester or term time);
- (d) **Montgomery G.I. Bill.** Benefits received by student-athletes under the Montgomery Bill—Active Duty and the Montgomery G.I. Bill—Selected Reserve;
- (e) **Pell Grants.** Payments received as part of the Pell Grant program;
- (f) **Special U.S. Government Entitlement Programs.** Payments by the U.S. government under the terms of the Dependents Education Assistance Program (DEAP), Social Security Insurance Program [including the Reinstated Entitlement Program for Survivors (REPS)] or Non-Service-Connected Veteran's Death Pension Program;
- (g) **Veterans Educational Assistance Program (VEAP).** Benefits received by student-athletes under the VEAP;
- (h) **Vocational Rehabilitation for Service-Disabled Veterans Program.** Benefits received by student-athletes under the Vocational Rehabilitation for Service-Disabled Veterans Program; or
- (i) **Welfare Benefits.** Welfare benefits received from a state or federal government. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

15.2.5 Financial Aid from Outside Sources

15.2.5.1 Parents and Legal Guardians. A student-athlete may receive financial aid from anyone on whom the student-athlete is naturally or legally dependent.

15.2.5.2 No Relationship to Athletics Ability. A student-athlete may receive financial aid awarded solely on bases having no relationship to athletics ability.

15.2.5.2.1 Athletics Participation or Achievement as Part of Extracurricular Activities. A scholarship administered outside the institution that permits an applicant to include athletics participation or achievements as part of the application process may not be awarded under the provisions of Bylaw 15.2.5.2. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

15.2.5.2.2 Outside Educational Grants. A student-athlete may receive an outside educational grant awarded solely on bases having no relationship to athletics ability up to the cost of attendance, provided: *(Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95)*

- (a) The recipient's choice of institutions is not restricted by the donor of the aid; and
- (b) The awarding individual or organization and the donor of the aid are not representatives of an institution's athletics interests or an athletics booster group of a member institution.

15.2.5.3 Athletics Participation Not Major Criterion. A student-athlete may receive financial aid through an established and continuing program to aid students, provided the following conditions are met: *(Revised: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99)*

- (a) The award shall be made on the basis of the recipient's past performance and overall record, as measured by established criteria of which athletics participation is not the major criterion;
- (b) Disbursement of the aid may be through the awarding agency for the recipient's educational expenses, provided the aid is awarded before the recipient's initial enrollment at a member institution and the awarding agency provides written notification of the award to the institution. After enrollment at a member institution, disbursement of the aid shall be through the institution for the recipient's educational expenses while attending the institution. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, the violation shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility, provided the student-athlete deposits the aid with the institution and the aid does not result in an overaward of financial aid to the student-athlete; and *(Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99)*
- (c) The recipient's choice of institutions shall not be restricted to a single designated institution or conference by the donor of the aid. *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

15.2.5.4 Athletics Participation as a Major Criterion. A student-athlete may receive financial aid through an established and continuing program for the recognition of outstanding high-school graduates, provided the following conditions are met: *(Revised: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99)*

- (a) The award shall be made on the basis of the recipient's past performance and overall record, as measured by established criteria of which athletics participation may be a major criterion;
- (b) Disbursement of the aid may be through the awarding agency for the recipient's educational expenses, provided the aid is awarded before the recipient's initial enrollment at a member institution and the awarding agency provides written notification of the award to the institution. After enrollment at a member institution, disbursement of the aid shall be through the institution for the recipient's educational expenses while attending the institution. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, the violation shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility, provided the student-athlete deposits the aid with the institution and the aid does not result in an overaward of financial aid to the student-athlete; *(Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99)*
- (c) The recipient's choice of institutions shall not be restricted by the donor of the aid;
- (d) The awarding individual or organization and the donor of the aid shall not be representatives of the athletics interests or an athletics booster group of a member institution;
- (e) The value of the award alone or in combination with other aid per Bylaw 15.1.1 shall not exceed the value of a full grant-in-aid;
- (f) The award may be provided to the recipient on only one occasion;
- (g) If the recipient is recruited, the recipient is considered a counter per Bylaw 15.5.1 and the amount is applied to the maximum awards limitations of Bylaw 15.5 for the sport in question; and
- (h) The award is not received from an outside sports team or organization that conducts a competitive sports program by a member of that team.

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15.2.5.4.1 Award Limited to Athletes. If an individual is considered for a financial aid award only if the individual is a participant in athletics, the provisions of Bylaw 15.2.5.4 shall be applicable.

15.2.5.4.2 Eligibility Effects of Improper Aid from Outside Organization. It is not permissible for a student-athlete to receive financial aid, directly or indirectly, from a source outside the institution (e.g., a foreign government, a sports association, a high-school booster club) for expenses related to attendance at a member institution, if the award of such financial aid is based in any degree upon the recipient's athletics ability, except as permitted in Bylaws 15.2.5.3 and 15.2.5.4. Receipt of financial aid from such a source renders the student-athlete ineligible for all intercollegiate athletics participation.

15.2.5.5 Educational Expenses—U.S. Olympic Committee or U.S. National Governing Body. A student-athlete may receive educational expenses awarded by the U.S. Olympic Committee or, in Divisions I and II, a U.S. national governing body (NGB). The amount of the financial assistance shall be subject to the following limitations: (*Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/13/98 effective 8/1/98*)

- (a) Disbursement of the aid shall be through the member institution for the recipient's educational expenses while attending that institution;
- (b) The recipient's choice of institutions shall not be restricted by the U.S. Olympic Committee or, in Divisions I and II, a U.S. national governing body;
- (c) The value of the award alone or in combination with other aid per Bylaw 15.1.1 shall not exceed the value of a full grant-in-aid; and
- (d) The recipient shall be considered a counter per Bylaw 15.5.1, and the amount shall be applied to the maximum awards limitations of Bylaw 15.5 for the sport in question.

15.2.6 Employment. The institution must include earnings from the student-athlete's employment during semester or term time [per Bylaw 15.1.1-(a)] in determining whether his or her full grant-in-aid has been reached.

15.2.6.1 Exception. Earnings from a student-athlete's legitimate off-campus employment, in excess of a full grant-in-aid shall be exempt, provided neither athletics department staff members nor representatives of the institution's athletics interests are involved in arranging the employment. Earnings from such employment by a representative of the institution's athletics interests may be exempted, provided the student-athlete secures the employment in the same manner as other members of the general public. (*Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/11/94*)

15.2.6.2 No Institutional Aid Received. A student-athlete who is not receiving institutional financial aid may earn legitimate income in excess of a full grant-in-aid, provided neither members of the athletics department nor representatives of the institution's athletics interests are involved in arranging the employment.

15.2.6.3 Christmas Vacation Employment. A student-athlete receiving financial aid under this section may obtain a job within seven days before the beginning of the institution's Christmas vacation period, provided it is a prerequisite to securing the employment. The income so derived from the additional week's employment need not be computed in determining the student's maximum allowable financial aid. However, any earnings for work performed after the first day of classes shall be countable.

15.2.6.4 After Eligibility Exhausted. Employment earnings of a student-athlete who has exhausted eligibility in a particular sport shall be exempt from this limitation, provided the student-athlete subsequently does not practice or compete in intercollegiate athletics. Compensation received from an outside entity for participation in activities related to the student-athlete's name, picture or appearance need not be included in the student-athlete's financial aid limits, but such activities may not be arranged by athletics department staff members or representatives of the institution's athletics interests. (*Adopted: 1/11/89 effective 8/1/89, Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93, Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/14/97*)

15.2.6.5 Earnings Deposited with Institution. Earnings received by a student-athlete for employment during term time are not countable against the student's full grant-in-aid, if these earnings are:

- (a) Deposited directly by the employer with the institution; and
- (b) Used by the institution as it determines; or
- (c) Designated by the institution for some special purpose related to athletics (e.g., payment of travel expenses of the student-athlete to represent the institution in competition).

15.2.6.6 Ineligible Student-Athlete. A student-athlete who is ineligible for participation in intercollegiate athletics but who is receiving institutional financial aid remains bound by the provisions of Bylaw 15.1, and any employment income must be counted in calculating his or her full grant-in-aid.

15.2.7 Summer Financial Aid. Summer financial aid may be awarded only to attend the awarding institution's summer term, summer school or summer-orientation program, provided the following conditions are met: *(Revised: 1/10/90)*

- (a) The student has been in residence a minimum of one term during the regular academic year;
- (b) The student is attending a summer term, summer school or summer-orientation program and financial aid is administered in accordance with Bylaw 15.2.8.1.2 for incoming student-athletes during the summer before their initial full-time collegiate enrollment; or *(Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/92)*
- (c) The student is a two-year or a four-year college transfer student and is receiving aid to attend the awarding institution's summer-orientation program. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

15.2.7.1 General Stipulations. A student-athlete who is eligible for institutional financial aid during the summer is not required to be enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies. However, the student-athlete may not receive financial aid that exceeds the cost of a full grant-in-aid for attendance in that summer term.

15.2.7.1.1 Summer Financial Aid—Before Initial, Full-Time Collegiate Enrollment. The following conditions apply to the awarding of financial aid to a student-athlete to attend an institution in the summer before the student's initial, full-time collegiate enrollment: *(Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/92)*

- (a) The recipient shall be admitted to the awarding member institution in accordance with regular, published entrance requirements; *(Adopted: 1/10/90)*
- (b) The recipient, if recruited, is subject to NCAA transfer provisions per Bylaw 14.5.2-(h); *(Adopted: 1/10/90)*
- (c) During the summer term or orientation period, the recipient shall not engage in any organized athletics practice activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1); and *(Adopted: 1/10/90)*
- (d) The awarding institution certifies in writing that the student's financial aid was granted without regard in any degree to athletics ability. The written certification shall be on file in the office of the director of athletics and shall be signed by the faculty athletics representative and the director of financial aid. *(Adopted: 1/10/90)*

15.2.7.2 Separate Award Required. It is necessary to make an additional award for a summer term, inasmuch as a member institution is limited to the award of financial aid for a period not in excess of one academic year.

15.2.7.3 Employment during Summer. A student-athlete may receive legitimate summer-employment earnings without any restriction on the amount of compensation received even if the student-athlete is attending summer school as a recipient of institutional financial aid. Further, such employment earnings are not considered in determining the amount of athletically related financial aid the student-athlete may receive for the summer term.

15.2.7.4 Branch School. An institution may not provide a student-athlete with financial aid to attend a summer session at a branch campus of the institution.

15.2.7.5 Olympic Waivers. Waivers of the restriction that financial aid may be used only to attend the awarding institution's summer term or summer school may be approved by the Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, for member institutions that have summer terms or summer schools curtailed because of the use of their facilities for the Olympic Games.

15.3 TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AWARDING INSTITUTIONAL FINANCIAL AID

15.3.1 Eligibility of Student-Athletes for Financial Aid. Institutional financial aid may be awarded for any term during which a student-athlete is in regular attendance as an undergraduate with eligibility remaining under Bylaw 14.2, or within six years after initial enrollment in a collegiate institution (provided the student does not receive such aid for more than five years during that period), or as a graduate eligible under Bylaw 14.1.7.

15.3.1.1 Applicable Requirements. A student-athlete must meet applicable NCAA (see Bylaw 14), conference and institutional regulations to be eligible for institutional financial aid (also see Bylaws 15.01.5, 15.01.6 and 15.01.7).

15.3.1.2 Withdrawal from Institution. A student-athlete who withdraws from the institution may not receive financial aid during the remainder of the term.

15.3.1.3 Retroactive Financial Aid. Institutional financial aid awarded to an enrolled student-athlete after the first day of classes in any term may not exceed the remaining room and board charges and educational expenses for that term and may not be made retroactive to the beginning of that term.

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Payments credited to a student-athlete's account that are not refundable need not become the student's obligation.

15.3.1.4 Institutional Financial Aid to Professional Athlete. It is not permissible to award institutional financial aid to a student-athlete who is under contract to or currently receiving compensation from a professional sports organization. However, a student-athlete who currently is receiving institutional financial aid and signs a contract with or receives compensation from an agent or a professional-sports organization may continue to receive such aid for the remainder of the term of the award, provided the student-athlete has completed his or her four seasons of competition. *(Revised: 1/12/99)*

15.3.1.4.1 Exception for Former Professional Athlete. A former professional athlete may receive institutional financial aid, provided the following conditions are met:

- (a) The student-athlete no longer is involved in professional athletics;
- (b) The student-athlete is not receiving any remuneration from a professional sports organization; and
- (c) The student-athlete has no active contractual relationship with any professional athletics team, although the student-athlete may remain bound by an option clause (i.e., a clause in the contract that requires assignment to a particular team, if the student-athlete's professional athletics career is resumed).

15.3.1.4.1.1 Later Professional Involvement. If the student-athlete later becomes involved in professional athletics while still a student-athlete with eligibility remaining, the individual would be considered to have violated the principles of ethical conduct per Bylaw 10, thus rendering the individual ineligible for intercollegiate competition.

15.3.2 Terms of Institutional Financial Aid Award

15.3.2.1 Conformance to Institutional and Conference Regulations. Financial aid awarded by an institution to a student-athlete shall conform to the rules and regulations of the awarding institution and of that institution's conference(s), if any.

15.3.2.2 Physical Condition of Student-Athlete. Financial aid awarded to a prospect may not be conditioned on the recipient reporting in satisfactory physical condition. If a student-athlete has been accepted for admission and awarded financial aid, the institution shall be committed for the term of the original award, even if the student-athlete's physical condition prevents him or her from participating in intercollegiate athletics.

15.3.2.3 Written Statement Requirement. In all cases, the institutional agency making the financial aid award shall give the recipient a written statement of the amount, duration, conditions and terms of the award. The chair of the regular committee or other agency for the awarding of financial aid to students generally, or the chair's official designee, shall sign the written statement. The signature of the athletics director, attesting to the committee's award, does not satisfy this requirement.

15.3.3 Period of Institutional Financial Aid Award

15.3.3.1 One-Year Limit. Where a student's athletics ability is taken into consideration in any degree in awarding financial aid, such aid shall not be awarded in excess of one academic year.

15.3.3.1.1 Financial Aid Authority Precedent. A staff member may inform a prospect that the athletics department will recommend to the financial aid authority that the prospect's financial aid be renewed each year for a period of four years and may indicate that the authority always has followed the athletics department's recommendations in the past. However, the prospect must be informed that the renewal will not be automatic.

15.3.3.1.2 Injury or Illness Policy. It is not permissible for an institution to assure the prospect that it automatically will continue a grant-in-aid past the one-year period if the recipient sustains an injury that prevents him or her from competing in intercollegiate athletics, but an institutional representative may inform the prospect of the regular institutional policy related to renewal or continuation of aid past the one-year period for recipients who become ill or injured during their participation.

15.3.3.2 Regular Term versus Summer Term. An institution may award financial aid to a student-athlete for an academic year or part thereof. An institution also may award financial aid for a summer term or summer-orientation period, provided the conditions of Bylaw 15.2.7 have been met.

15.3.3.2.1 Summer Term as Additional Award. It is necessary to make an additional award for a summer term, inasmuch as a member institution is limited to the award of financial aid for a period not in excess of one academic year.

15.3.4 Reduction and Cancellation during Period of Award

15.3.4.1 Reduction or Cancellation Permitted. Institutional financial aid based in any degree on ath-

letics ability may be reduced or canceled during the period of the award, if the recipient: *(Revised: 1/11/94, 1/10/95)*

- (a) Renders himself or herself ineligible for intercollegiate competition; or
- (b) Fraudulently misrepresents any information on an application, letter of intent or financial aid agreement (see Bylaw 15.3.4.1.1); or
- (c) Engages in serious misconduct warranting substantial disciplinary penalty (see Bylaw 15.3.4.1.2); or
- (d) Voluntarily withdraws from a sport at any time for personal reasons; however, the recipient's financial aid may not be awarded to another student-athlete in the term in which the aid was reduced or cancelled. *(Revised: 1/10/92, 1/11/94, 1/10/95, 1/9/96)*

15.3.4.1.1 Fraudulent Misrepresentation. If a student-athlete is awarded institutional financial aid on the basis of declaring intention to participate in a particular sport by signing a letter of intent, application or tender, action on the part of the grantee not to participate (either by not reporting for practice or after making only token appearances as determined by the institution) would constitute fraudulent misrepresentation of information on the grantee's application, letter of intent or financial aid agreement and would permit the institution to cancel or reduce the financial aid. *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

15.3.4.1.2 Misconduct. An institution may cancel or reduce the financial aid of a student-athlete who is found to have engaged in misconduct by the university's regular student disciplinary authority, even if the loss-of-aid requirement does not apply to the student body in general. *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

15.3.4.1.3 Hearing Opportunity Required. Any reduction or cancellation of aid per Bylaw 15.3.4.1 is permissible only if such action is taken for proper cause by the regular disciplinary or financial aid authorities of the institution and the student-athlete has been provided written notice of an opportunity for a hearing. *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

15.3.4.2 Increase Permitted. Institutional financial aid may be increased as follows: *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

- (a) Between the period of time when the student-athlete signs the financial aid award letter and the beginning of the period of the award; and
- (b) After the date on which the student-athlete receives any benefits as part of the student's financial aid grant (which is determined on the first day of classes for a particular academic term or the first day of practice, whichever is earlier), an institution may increase the student-athlete's financial aid, if the institution can demonstrate that such an increase is unrelated in any manner to an athletics reason (see Bylaw 15.3.4.3).

15.3.4.3 Reduction or Cancellation Not Permitted. Institutional financial aid based in any degree on athletics ability may not be increased, decreased or canceled during the period of its award: *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

- (a) On the basis of a student's athletics ability, performance or contribution to a team's success; or
- (b) Because of an injury that prevents the recipient from participating in athletics; or
- (c) For any other athletics reason.

15.3.4.3.1 Athletically Related Condition Prohibition. An institution may not set forth an athletically related condition (e.g., financial aid contingent upon specified performance or playing a specific position) that would permit the institution to reduce or cancel the student-athlete's financial aid during the period of the award, if the conditions are not satisfied. *(Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/11/94)*

15.3.4.3.2 Decrease Not Permitted. An institution may not decrease a student-athlete's financial aid from the time the student-athlete signs the financial aid award letter until the conclusion of the period set forth in the financial aid agreement, except under the conditions set forth in Bylaw 15.3.4.1. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

15.3.5 Renewals and Nonrenewals

15.3.5.1 Institutional Obligation. The renewal of institutional financial aid based in any degree on athletics ability shall be made on or before July 1 before the academic year in which it is to be effective. The institution shall promptly notify in writing each student-athlete who received an award the previous academic year and who has eligibility remaining in the sport in which financial aid was awarded the previous academic year (under Bylaw 14.2) whether the grant has been renewed or not renewed for the ensuing academic year. Notification of financial aid renewals and nonrenewals must come from the institution's regular financial aid authority and not from the institution's athletics department. *(Revised: 1/10/95)*

15.3.5.1.1 Hearing Opportunity Required. If the institution decides not to renew or decides to reduce financial aid for the ensuing academic year, the institution shall inform the student-athlete in writing that he or she, on request, shall be provided a hearing before the institutional agency making the award. The institution shall have established reasonable procedures for promptly hearing such a request and shall not delegate the responsibility for conducting a nonrenewal hearing to the university's athletics department or its faculty athletics committee. The decision to renew or not renew the financial aid is left to the discretion of the institution, to be determined in accordance with its normal practices for students generally.

15.3.5.2 Reconsideration of Nonrenewal. It is permissible for an institution that has notified a student-athlete that he or she will not be provided institutional financial aid for the next academic year subsequently to award financial aid to that student-athlete.

See Figure 15-1, page 155, for financial aid maximum limits and Figure 15-2, page 156, for how to determine a counter.

15.5 MAXIMUM INSTITUTIONAL GRANT-IN-AID LIMITATIONS BY SPORT

15.5.1 Counters. A student-athlete shall be a counter and included in the maximum awards limitations set forth in this bylaw under the following conditions.

15.5.1.1 Athletics Aid Received. A student-athlete who is receiving financial aid based in any degree upon athletics ability shall become a counter for the year during which the student-athlete receives the financial aid.

15.5.1.2 Recruited Student-Athlete

15.5.1.2.1 Sports Other Than Football and Basketball. In all sports, a student-athlete who was recruited by the awarding institution and who is receiving institutional financial aid (as set forth in Bylaw 15.02.4.1) shall be a counter, unless there is on file in the office of the athletics director certification by the faculty athletics representative and the director of financial aid that the student's financial aid was granted without regard in any degree to athletics ability. (*Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93, Revised: 1/11/94*)

15.5.1.2.2 Employment in Athletics Department or Athletics Facilities The provisions of Bylaw 15.5.1.2.1 cannot be used to exempt a recruited student-athlete who is receiving income earned through employment in an athletics department, or in athletics facilities (owned or operated by the athletics department), or in other athletics facilities when such employment is arranged by a representative of the institution's athletics interests. (*Revised: 1/10/95, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

15.5.1.2.3 No Institutional Financial Aid. A student-athlete who was recruited by the institution but who does not receive institutional financial aid (as set forth in Bylaw 15.02.4.1) shall not be a counter.

15.5.1.3 Nonrecruited Student-Athlete

15.5.1.3.1 No Institutional Financial Aid. A student-athlete who was not recruited by the institution and who is not receiving any institutional financial aid (as set forth in 15.02.4.1) is not a counter.

15.5.1.3.2 Certification. A student-athlete who was not recruited by the awarding institution and who is receiving institutional financial aid (as set forth in Bylaw 15.02.4.1) shall not be a counter, if there is on file in the office of the athletics director certification by the faculty athletics representative, the admissions officer and the director of financial aid that the student's admission and financial aid were granted without regard in any degree to athletics ability.

15.5.1.3.3 Employment in Athletics Department or Athletics Facilities. The provisions of Bylaw 15.5.1.3.3 cannot be used to exempt a nonrecruited student-athlete who is receiving income earned through employment in an athletics department or athletics facilities (owned or operated by the athletics department) in the student-athlete's sport; or in other athletics facilities when such employment is arranged by a representative of the institution's athletics interests. The provisions of Bylaw 15.5.1.3.3 cannot be used to exempt a nonrecruited student-athlete who is receiving income earned through employment in an athletics department or athletics facilities in a sport other than the student-athlete's sport if the athletics department intercedes on behalf of the student-athlete; or, if the athletics facilities are not owned or operated by the athletics department, the athletics department may not intercede on behalf of the student-athlete. (*Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/10/95, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

15.5.1.4 Counter Who Becomes Injured or Ill. A counter who becomes injured or ill to the point that the player apparently never again will be able to participate in intercollegiate athletics shall not be considered a counter beginning with the academic year after the incapacitating injury or illness.

15.5.1.4.1 Injury or Illness before Initial Practice. If an incapacitating injury or illness occurs before an institution's initial practice and results in a student-athlete's inability to compete ever again, the student-athlete shall not be counted within the institution's maximum financial aid awards limitations for the current, as well as future, academic years. (*Adopted: 1/10/91*)

15.5.1.4.2 Injury or Illness after Initial Practice. If an incapacitating injury or illness occurs on or after a student-athlete's initial practice in the sport and results in the student-athlete's inability to compete ever again, the student-athlete shall be counted in the institution's maximum financial aid limitations for the current academic year but need not be counted in future academic years.

15.5.1.4.3 Change in Circumstances. If circumstances change and the student-athlete subsequently practices or competes at any institution, the student-athlete again shall become a counter, and the institution shall be required to count that financial aid under the limitations of this bylaw in the sport in question during each academic year in which the financial aid was received.

15.5.1.4.4 Waiver. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may waive the requirements of Bylaw 15.5.1.4.3 on determination that sufficient documentation is available from competent medical authorities to indicate that the original injury or illness clearly appeared to be incapacitating and that there was no reasonable expectation that the student-athlete ever again would be able to participate in intercollegiate athletics.

15.5.1.5 Aid Not Renewed, Successful Appeal. If an institution does not renew financial aid for a counter in a subsequent year, and a hearing before the institution's regular financial aid authority results in a successful appeal for restoration of aid, the student-athlete shall continue to be a counter if the individual continues to receive athletically related financial aid. However, the student-athlete shall not be a counter, if he or she receives institutionally arranged or awarded, nonathletically related financial aid available to all students, provided such financial aid was granted or arranged without regard in any degree to athletics ability. If the student-athlete ever participates again in intercollegiate athletics at that institution, he or she will be considered to have been a counter during each year the financial aid was received.

15.5.1.6 Cancellation of Aid. Once an individual becomes a counter in a head-count sport (see Bylaws 15.5.2, 15.5.4 and 15.5.5), the individual normally continues as a counter for the remainder of the academic year. However, if he or she voluntarily withdraws from the team before the first day of classes or before the first contest of the season (whichever is earlier) and releases the institution from its obligation to provide financial aid, the individual no longer would be considered a counter (see Bylaw 15.5.5.4.1).

15.5.1.7 Eligibility Exhausted. A student-athlete receiving institutional financial aid after having exhausted his or her eligibility in a sport is not a counter in that sport in future academic years after completion of eligibility in the sport. For this provision to be applicable, the student-athlete is otherwise eligible for the aid and is not permitted to take part in organized, institutional practice sessions in that sport, unless the individual has eligibility remaining under the five-year/10-semester rule. (See Bylaw 15.3.1 for eligibility for financial aid.) (*Revised: 1/10/91*)

15.5.1.8 Aid after Student-Athlete Becomes Permanently Ineligible. A student-athlete receiving institutional financial aid after becoming permanently ineligible due to a violation of NCAA regulations (e.g., amateurism legislation) may receive athletics aid during the next academic year without counting in the institution's financial aid limitations, provided the student-athlete is otherwise eligible for the aid and subsequently does not practice or compete in intercollegiate athletics. If circumstances change and the student-athlete subsequently practices or competes, the institution is required to count the financial aid received by the student-athlete during each academic year in which the aid was received. (See also Bylaw 15.3.1.4.) (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

15.5.1.9 Summer-Term Aid. Institutional financial aid received during a summer term is not countable in these limitations and does not make a student-athlete a counter.

15.5.1.10 Offers Exceeding Maximum Allowable Awards. An institution may offer more than the maximum number of permissible awards in a sport (per Bylaws 15.5.3 and 15.5.5) in anticipation that not all of the offers will be accepted, but the institution shall not exceed the awards limitation in the sport in question.

15.5.2 Equivalency Sports

15.5.2.1 Maximum Equivalency Limits

15.5.2.1.1 Men's Sports. There shall be a limit on the value (equivalency) of financial aid awards (per Bylaw 15.02.4.1) that an institution may provide in any academic year to counters in each men's sport, as follows: (*Revised: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/93*)

Baseball.....	9.0	Rifle.....	3.6
Basketball.....	10.0	Skiing.....	6.3

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Cross Country/Track and Field.....	12.6	Soccer.....	9.0
Fencing.....	4.5	Swimming.....	8.1
Football.....	36.0	Tennis.....	4.5
Golf.....	3.6	Volleyball.....	4.5
Gymnastics.....	5.4	Water Polo.....	4.5
Ice Hockey	13.5	Wrestling.....	9.0
Lacrosse.....	10.8		

15.5.2.1.1.1 Overall Limit. An institution shall not provide more than an equivalent of 60 total awards in all men's sports other than football and basketball in any academic year.

15.5.2.1.2 Women's Sports. There shall be a limit on the value (equivalency) of financial aid awards (per Bylaw 15.02.4.1) that an institution may provide in any academic year to counters in each women's sport, as follows: (*Revised: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/93, Revised: 1/11/94 effective 9/1/94*)

Archery.....	5.0	Lacrosse.....	9.9
Badminton.....	8.0	Rowing.....	20.0
Basketball.....	10.0	Skiing.....	6.3
Bowling.....	5.0	Soccer.....	9.9
Cross Country/Track and Field	12.6	Softball.....	7.2
(effective 8/1/00, see Bylaw 15.5.3.2.4 for		Squash.....	9.0
institutions that sponsor cross country		Swimming.....	8.1
but not indoor or outdoor track and field)		Synchronized Swimming.....	5.0
Fencing.....	4.5	Team Handball	12.0
Field Hockey.....	6.3	Tennis.....	6.0
Golf.....	5.4	Volleyball.....	8.0
Gymnastics.....	6.0	Water Polo	8.0
Ice Hockey.....	18.0		

15.5.2.1.3 Exception. In accordance with the provisions of Bylaw 18.4.2.3.1, an institution may exceed the maximum awards limitations in a sport in which only one NCAA championship is conducted.

The following 15.5.2.1.4 was adopted for Division II by the 1998 NCAA Convention, effective August 1, 2000:

15.5.2.1.4 Maximum Equivalency Limits—Institutions That Sponsor Cross Country but Do Not Sponsor Track and Field. There shall be a limit of five on the value (equivalency) of financial aid awards (per Bylaw 15.02.4.1) that an institution may provide in any academic year to counters in the sport of men's cross country, if the institution does not sponsor indoor or outdoor track and field for men. There shall be a limit of six on the value (equivalency) of financial aid awards (per Bylaw 15.02.4.1) that an institution may provide in any academic year to counters in the sport of women's cross country, if the institution does not sponsor indoor or outdoor track and field for women. (*Adopted: 1/13/98 effective 8/1/00*)

15.5.2.2 Equivalency Computations. In equivalency sports, each institutional financial aid award (per Bylaw 15.02.4.2) to a counter shall be computed as follows:

- Once a student becomes a counter, the institution shall count all institutional aid (per Bylaw 15.02.4.1) received for room, board, tuition and fees, as well as books (which shall count for calculation purposes as \$400 in the denominator and, if they are provided or their cost covered by the institution, as \$400 in the numerator, regardless of the actual amount received). Exempted government grants per Bylaw 15.2.4 and exempted institutional aid per Bylaw 15.02.4.3 specifically are excluded from this computation. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- A fraction shall be created, with the amount received by the student-athlete as the numerator and the full grant-in-aid value for that student-athlete as the denominator based upon the actual cost or average cost of a full grant for all students at that institution. (*Revised: 1/10/90*)
- The sum of all fractional and maximum awards received by counters shall not exceed the total limit for the sport in question for the academic year as a whole.

15.5.2.2.1 Exception. Academic honor awards that are part of the institution's normal arrangements for academic scholarships, awarded independently of athletics interests and in amounts consistent with the pattern of all such awards made by the institution are exempt from a Division II institution's equivalency computation, provided: (*Adopted: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/90*)

- (a) The recipient was ranked in the upper 20 percent of the high-school graduating class or achieved a cumulative grade-point average of at least 3.500 (based on a maximum of 4.000) or a minimum ACT sum score of 100 or a minimum SAT score of 1,050 (if taken before April 1, 1995) or 1140 (if taken on or after April 1, 1995); or (*Revised: 1/10/91, 1/9/96*)
- (b) The recipient does not qualify under (a) and has completed at least one academic year in college and achieved a cumulative grade-point average of 3.300 (on a 4.000 scale) for all academic work completed during the student's collegiate enrollment resulting in degree credits at the awarding institution.

15.5.2.3 Exceptions

15.5.2.3.1 Voluntary Withdrawal. An institution may replace a counter who voluntarily withdraws from the football team by providing the financial aid to another student who already has enrolled in the institution and is a member of the football squad. For this replacement to occur, the counter must withdraw before the first day of classes or before the first game of the season, whichever is earlier, and release the institution from its obligation to provide institutional financial aid [see also Bylaw 15.3.4.1-(d)].

15.5.2.3.2 Lightweight Football. Participants in lightweight football programs who do not participate in the institution's regular varsity intercollegiate program shall not be counted in the institution's financial aid limitations.

15.5.3 Multiple-Sport Participants

See Figure 15-3, page 157, for where to count student-athletes who participate in more than one sport.

15.5.3.1 Football. A counter who was recruited and/or offered financial aid to participate in football and who participates (practices or competes) in football and one or more sports (including basketball) shall be counted in the sport of football. A counter who was not recruited and/or offered financial aid to participate in football and who competes in football and one or more sports (including basketball) shall be counted in the sport of football. (*Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

15.5.3.2 Basketball. A counter who practices or competes in basketball and one or more other sports (other than football) shall be counted in the sport of basketball.

15.5.3.3 Field Hockey. A counter who practices or competes in field hockey and one or more other sports (other than basketball or women's volleyball) shall be counted in field hockey.

15.5.3.4 Volleyball, Women's. A counter who practices or competes in women's volleyball and one or more other sports (other than basketball) shall be counted in women's volleyball.

15.5.3.5 Two-Year Exception. If an individual has participated in a sport other than basketball, field hockey or women's volleyball for two years or more since the individual's initial collegiate enrollment and would be involved only in basketball, field hockey or women's volleyball practice sessions, such a student would not become a counter in those sports, until the student actually competes as a member of that institution's intercollegiate team, at either the varsity or junior varsity level. (*Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

15.5.3.6 Other Sports. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a counter who participates in two or more sports shall be counted in one of the sports but shall not be counted in the others.

15.5.3.6.1 Requirement to Qualify as Multiple-Sport Athlete. To be considered a multiple-sport athlete under this section, an individual must meet all of the following requirements:

- (a) The individual shall report and participate fully in regularly organized practice with each squad;
- (b) The individual shall participate where qualified in actual competition in each sport;
- (c) The individual shall be a member of each squad for the entire playing and practice season; and
- (d) If a recruited student-athlete, the individual shall have been earnestly recruited to participate in the sport in which financial aid is counted (i.e., the institution recruiting the student-athlete shall have a reasonable basis to believe that the student-athlete is capable of participating in the institution's varsity intercollegiate program in that sport, including documentation

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of a record of previous participation in organized competition in the sport that supports the student-athlete's potential to participate in that sport in varsity intercollegiate competition).

15.5.4 Changes in Participation. If a student-athlete changes sports during an academic year, the student-athlete's financial aid shall be counted in the maximum limitations for the first sport for the remainder of the academic year. If the student-athlete continues to receive financial aid, the award shall be counted the next academic year against the maximum limitations in the second sport. A student-athlete shall be counted as an initial award in football during the year in which the student-athlete first becomes countable in that sport, regardless of whether countable financial aid was received previously for another sport.

15.5.5 Squad List

15.5.5.1 Eligibility Requirement. To be eligible to represent an institution in intercollegiate athletics competition, a student-athlete shall be included on the institution's squad-list form.

15.5.5.2 Squad-List Form. The member institution's athletics director shall compile a list, on a form approved by the Management Council, of the squad members in each sport on the first day of competition and shall indicate thereon the status of each member in the categories listed (see Bylaw 30.13).

15.5.5.3 Drug-Testing Consent-Form Requirement. Any student-athlete who signs a drug-testing consent form must be included on the institution's squad-list form, and any student-athlete who is included on the squad-list form must have signed a drug-testing consent form in accordance with Bylaw 14.1.4. (*Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92*)

15.5.6 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers of the financial aid limitations set forth in this bylaw for institutions that have suffered extraordinary personnel losses due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature from one or more of their intercollegiate athletics teams.

FIGURE 15-1
Financial Aid Maximum Limits
2000-01 Academic Year

	Citation	Individual Full Grant ¹	Institutional Sport Limitation
Academic honor award	15.5.2.2.1	Yes	No
Aid based on athletics ability	15.02.4.1-(a)	Yes	Yes
AmeriCorps Program	15.2.4.1-(a)	No	No
Athletics grant	15.02.4.1-(a)	Yes	Yes
Athletics participation compensation	15.1.1-(f)	Yes, if eligibility has not been exhausted ²	No ²
Dependents Education Assistance Program	15.2.4.1-(f)	No	No
Disabled veterans award	15.2.4.1-(b)	No ³	No
Employment, on-campus during term	15.02.4.1-(a) 15.1.1-(a) 15.2.6 15.2.6.3 15.2.6.4	Yes, if eligibility has not been exhausted	Yes, if athletics interests intercede
Employment, off-campus during term	15.02.4.1-(c) 15.1.1-(a) 15.2.6 15.2.6.1 15.2.6.4	Yes, if eligibility has not been exhausted Yes, if athletics interests intercede	Yes, if athletics interests intercede and eligibility has not been exhausted
Employment during vacation period	15.02.4.3-(c) 15.2.6.3	No	No
Gifts following completion of eligibility	15.1.1-(d)	Yes	No
Government grants, institutionally administered	15.02.4.1-(b)	Yes	Yes ⁴
Government grants, not institutionally administered	15.1.1-(b)	Yes	No
Honorary academic award	15.02.4.3-(a) 15.02.6	No	No
Institutional grant or scholarship	15.02.4.1-(a)	Yes	Yes ⁴
Loan, legitimate, repayment schedule	15.02.4.3-(b)	No	No
Military reserve training program	15.2.4.1-(c)	No	No
Montgomery G.I. Bill-Active Duty and Selected Reserve	15.2.4.1-(d)	No	No
Outside grant for educational purposes, unrelated to athletics ability	15.2.5.2 15.2.5.2.2	No ⁵ No ⁶	No
Outside grant, athletics participation considered a major criterion	15.02.4.1-(d) 15.02.4.2-(d) 15.2.5.4	Yes	Yes, if recruited No, if not recruited
Outside grant, athletics participation not considered a major criterion	15.02.4.2-(c) 15.2.5.3	Yes, if recruited No, if not recruited ⁵	No
Parent/guardian contribution	15.2.5.1	No	No
Pell Grant	15.2.4.1-(e)	No	No
Professional sports stipend	15.1.1-(e)	Yes ²	No ²
Research grant	15.02.4.3-(a) 15.02.6	No	No
Social Security Insurance Program (including the Reinstated Entitlement Program for Survivors)	15.2.4.1-(f)	No	No
Summer school financial aid	15.2.7	Yes ⁷	No
Supplemental Educational Opportunities Grant	15.02.4.1-(b)	Yes	Yes ⁴
Veteran's Death Pension Program	15.2.4.1-(f)	No	No
Veterans Educational Assistance Program	15.2.4.1-(g)	No	No
Vocational Rehabilitation for Service-Disabled Veterans Program	15.2.4.1-(h)	No	No
Welfare Benefits	15.2.4.1-(i)	No	No
Work-study assistance	15.02.4.1-(a)-(b)	Yes	Yes, if athletics interests intercede

Key:

¹ Applies only if student-athlete is receiving financial aid based on athletics ability or if student-athlete is recruited and receiving institutional financial aid as defined in Bylaw 15.02.4.1.

² However, receipt of such compensation renders a student-athlete ineligible for intercollegiate athletics competition under the Association's rules of amateurism (see Bylaw 12). See also 15.3.1.4.

³ If approved by Management Council.

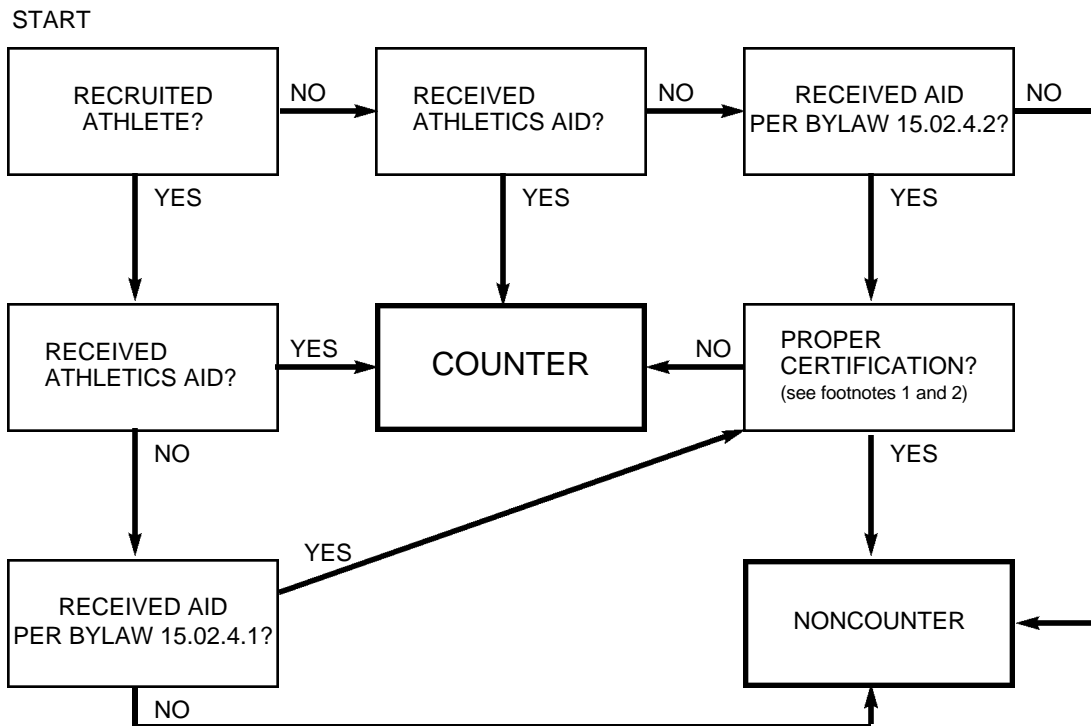
⁴ If considered a counter per Bylaw 15.5.

⁵ However, if a student-athlete is receiving financial aid based on athletics ability or if the student-athlete is recruited and receiving institutional financial aid as defined in Bylaw 15.02.4.1, the student must include the grant.

⁶ Provided institutional financial aid and outside grants do not exceed the student-athlete's cost of attendance per Bylaw 15.01.8.

⁷ Institution is limited to providing value of full grant-in-aid during summer; however, student-athlete may earn additional employment income beyond full grant during the summer. (Also see Bylaw 15.2.7.3.)

FIGURE 15-2
How to Determine a Counter
2000-01 Academic Year



1. Recruited student-athlete: Admission and financial aid must be certified as unrelated to athletics ability (Bylaw 15.5.1.2.1).
2. Nonrecruited student-athlete: Admissions and financial aid must be certified as unrelated to athletics ability (Bylaw 15.5.1.3.2).

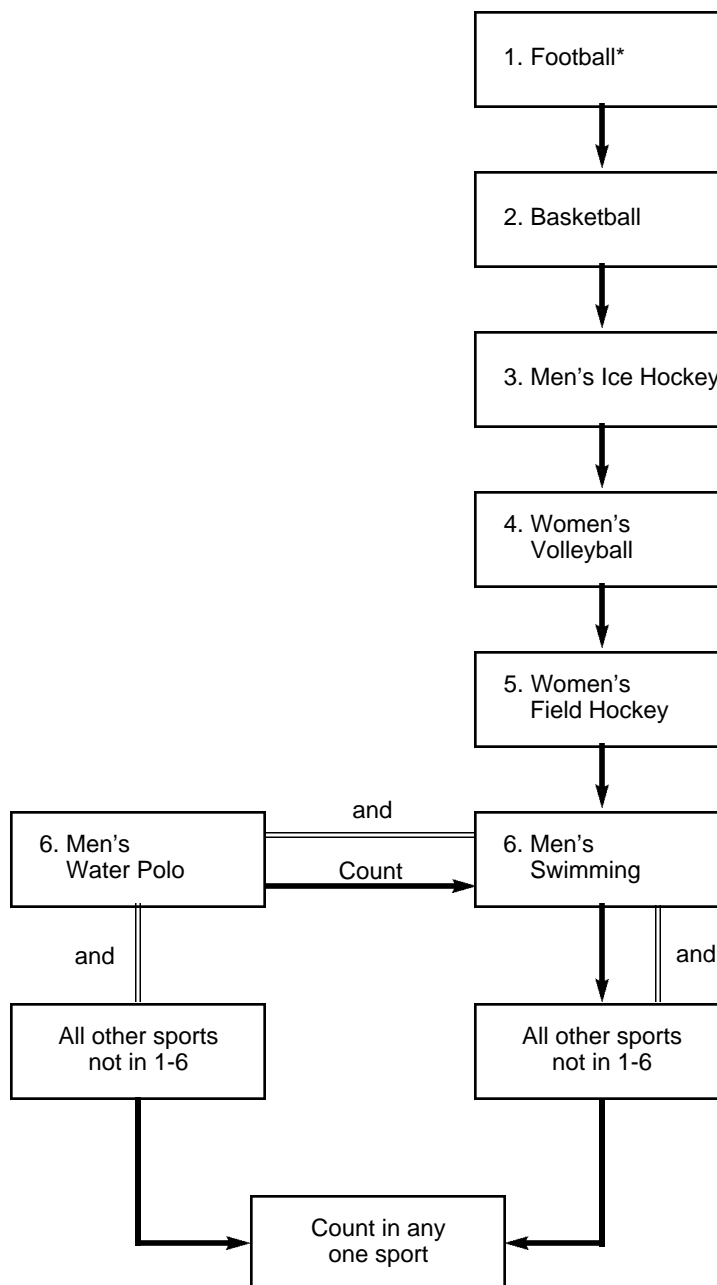
FIGURE 15-3
Where to Count Student-Athletes Who Participate
in More Than One Intercollegiate Sport
2000-01 Academic Year

DIRECTIONS:

Start at 1, football, and keep going until you reach a sport in which the student-athlete participates. Count the student-athlete in that sport.

Note the alternatives for men's water polo. If a student-athlete participates in men's water polo and men's swimming, he is counted in men's swimming. If he participates in men's water polo and any sport except football, men's basketball, men's ice hockey and men's swimming, he can be counted in either of his sports. If he participates in men's swimming and any other sport except for football, men's basketball, men's ice hockey and men's water polo, then he can be counted in either of his sports.

For student-athletes who practice with one of the teams numbered 1-2 and 4-5 but don't play on a junior-varsity or varsity team, see the information on the two-year exception rule in Bylaw 15.5.3.5.



*In football, a counter who was not recruited and/or offered financial aid to participate in football and who competes in football and one or more sports (including basketball) must be counted in the sport of football (see Bylaw 15.5.3.1).

BYLAW, ARTICLE 16

Awards, Benefits and Expenses for Enrolled Student-Athletes

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16.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

16.01.1 Eligibility Effect of Violation. Receipt by a student-athlete of an award, benefit or expense allowance not authorized by NCAA legislation renders the student-athlete ineligible for athletics competition in the sport for which the improper award, benefit or expense was received. If the student-athlete receives an extra benefit not authorized by NCAA legislation or an improper award or expense allowance in conjunction with competition that involves the use of overall athletics skill (e.g., “superstars” competition), the individual is ineligible in all sports.

16.01.2 Exception for Benefits Available to Other Students. The receipt of a benefit by a student-athlete or his or her relatives or friends that is not authorized by NCAA legislation is not a violation, if it is demonstrated that the same benefit generally is available to the institution's students, their relatives or friends or to a particular segment of the student body (e.g., foreign students, minority students) determined on a basis unrelated to athletics ability. (*Revised: 1/10/91*)

16.01.3 Money for Unspecified Expenses. A payment to a student-athlete for unspecified, unitemized, excessive or improper expenses is not permitted.

16.01.4 Compliance with Legislation for Emerging Sports. Beginning with the 1995-96 academic year, a member institution sponsoring an emerging sport for women (see Bylaw 20.02.5) shall comply fully in that program with all applicable awards and benefits legislation set forth in Bylaw 16. (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

16.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

16.02.1 Award. An award is an item given in recognition of athletics participation or performance. Such awards are subject to the limitations set forth in Bylaw 16.1.

16.02.2 Excessive Expense. An excessive expense is one not specifically authorized under regulations of the Association concerning awards, benefits and expenses.

16.02.3 Extra Benefit. An extra benefit is any special arrangement by an institutional employee or a representative of the institution's athletics interests to provide a student-athlete or the student-athlete's relative or friend a benefit not expressly authorized by NCAA legislation. Receipt of a benefit by student-athletes or their relatives or friends is not a violation of NCAA legislation, if it is demonstrated that the same benefit is generally available to the institution's students or their relatives or friends or to a particular segment of the student body (e.g., foreign students, minority students) determined on a basis unrelated to athletics ability. (*Revised: 1/10/91*)

16.02.4 Pay. Pay is the receipt of funds, awards or benefits not permitted by governing legislation of the Association for participation in athletics. (See Bylaw 12.1.2 for explanation of forms of pay prohibited under the Association's amateur-status regulations.)

16.1 AWARDS

16.1.1 Application of Awards Legislation

16.1.1.1 Before Enrollment. Awards received by an individual before enrollment shall conform to the rules of the amateur sports organization that governs the competition and shall not include cash. Such awards may include gift certificates and items that are not personalized, provided the awards are permitted by the rules of the amateur sports organization.

16.1.1.2 Student-Athlete Representing Institution. The awards limitations of Bylaw 16.1 apply to awards received by a student-athlete while enrolled during the academic year (i.e., from the beginning of the fall term through completion of the spring term, including any intervening vacation period) as a regular student in a minimum full-time academic load, or awards received by a student-athlete while representing the student-athlete's institution at any other time.

16.1.1.3 Student-Athlete Not Regularly Enrolled. Awards received by a student-athlete participating in an event while not enrolled as a regular student during the academic year, or received during the summer while not representing his or her institution, shall conform to the regulations of the recognized amateur organization that governs the competition and may not include cash. Such awards may include gift certificates and items that are not personalized, provided the awards are permitted by the rules of the amateur sports organization.

16.1.1.4 After Completion of Athletics Eligibility. Awards limitations apply to enrolled student-athletes who have exhausted their collegiate athletics eligibility. An institution shall be held responsible through the Association's enforcement procedures for the provision of improper awards to graduating seniors by the institution or its booster organizations.

16.1.2 Uniformity of Awards. Awards presented by a member institution, conference or other approved agency must be uniform for all team members receiving the award.

16.1.3 Nonpermissible Awards. The following awards are prohibited unless received per Bylaws 16.1.1.1 or 16.1.1.3, except that receipt of a cash award is not permitted under any circumstance.

16.1.3.1 Cash or Equivalent. An individual may not receive a cash award for athletics participation. An individual may not receive a cash-equivalent award (i.e., an item that is negotiable for cash or trade or other services, benefits or merchandise) for athletics participation.

16.1.3.2 Gift Certificates. Gift certificates shall be prohibited. *(Revised: 1/10/90, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

16.1.3.3 Country Club or Sports-Club Memberships. An award of a country club or sports-club membership is strictly prohibited, even if the cost of the membership is below the maximum award value permitted by NCAA legislation.

16.1.3.4 Transfer of Nonpermissible Award. Cash or any other award that an individual could not receive under NCAA legislation may not be forwarded in the individual's name to a different individual or agency (e.g., a collegiate institution).

See Figure 16-1, page 177, for a summary of awards legislation.

16.1.4 Types of Awards, Awarding Agencies, Maximum Value and Numbers of Awards. Athletics awards given to individual student-athletes shall be limited to those approved or administered by the member institution, its conference or an approved agency as specified in the following subsections and shall be limited in value and number as specified in this section. Each of the following subsections is independent of the others so that it is permissible for an individual student-athlete to receive the awards described in all subsections.

16.1.4.1 Annual Participation. Awards for recognition of intercollegiate athletics participation (e.g., "letter awards") may be presented each year by a member institution. In addition, the institution may present senior awards and awards in recognition of special attainments or contributions to a team's competitive season (e.g., scholar-athlete, most improved player, most minutes played).

16.1.4.1.1 Underclassman Awards. The total value of a single participation award to a nonsenior shall not exceed \$150 in each sport in which the student-athlete participates. Multiple awards may be presented only if the total value of all participation awards received in a sport during a particular academic year by an individual student-athlete who is not a senior does not exceed \$150. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

16.1.4.1.2 Senior Awards. Multiple awards may be presented only if the total value of all participation awards received during a particular academic year by an individual senior student-athlete does not exceed \$300 in each sport in which the student-athlete participates. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

16.1.4.1.3 Additional Awards. It is permissible for members to provide additional awards in recognition of special attainments or contributions to a team's competitive season (e.g., scholar-athlete, most improved player, most minutes played), with the value of each such additional award limited to \$150. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

16.1.4.1.4 Most-Valuable-Player Awards—Season. A student-athlete may receive one or more awards for being selected as the most valuable player on a team for the season, provided such awards are approved by the institution and conference, if any. (See Bylaw 16.1.4.2.3 for special-event-related most-valuable-player awards.)

16.1.4.2 NCAA Championships, Regional or National Awards and Special Events. Awards for participation in special events (such as postseason football games, NCAA championships and other established meets and tournaments, all-star games, featured individual competition) and established regional or national recognition awards (e.g., Wade Trophy, Heisman Trophy) may be presented only to student-athletes who are eligible to participate in the event and may be presented only by the management of such an event or awards program or by an institution that has had or will have a team or individual participate in that event.

16.1.4.2.1 Number and Value of Awards. The total value of any single award to any one student-athlete for a special event may not exceed \$300, except awards presented by the Association to student-athletes for participation in NCAA championship events per Bylaw 16.1.4.2.2 and for most-valuable-player awards per Bylaw 16.1.4.2.3. Multiple awards may be presented only by the institution and the management of the event, if the total value of all awards presented for participation in the meet (e.g., a multievent winner in a gymnastics or track and field meet) or in honor of the student-athlete's achievement does not exceed \$300, except for bowl-game and all-star game awards per Bylaw 16.1.4.2.4. (*Revised: 1/10/92, 1/16/93*)

16.1.4.2.1.1 Exception—Established National Award. Trophies signifying an established national award may be received by a student-athlete, regardless of the value of the trophy. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

16.1.4.2.2 NCAA Championships Participation. Awards presented by the Association to student-athletes for participation in any NCAA championship event are not subject to any limitation on the value of the award. Additional awards presented by an institution to its student-athletes for participation in an NCAA championship event are permitted, provided the total of any and all awards from the institution does not exceed \$300. (*Adopted: 1/10/91*)

16.1.4.2.3 Most-Valuable-Player Awards—Special Event. Most-valuable-player awards may be presented in special events, if the recipient is selected by a recognized organization approved by a member institution or conference. Each award must be approved by the institution (or conference) and may not exceed \$300 in value. The awarding institution, conference or other organization may provide only one award for each event to each student-athlete. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

16.1.4.2.4 Bowl-Game or All-Star Game Awards. Awards presented to student-athletes from the sponsoring agency of a certified postseason bowl or all-star game shall not exceed \$300 in value. The value of additional awards presented by an institution to its student-athletes for bowl-game or all-star-game participation shall be subject to a separate \$300 limitation. (*Adopted: 1/10/92, 1/16/93*)

16.1.4.3 National Championships. Awards may be presented by a member institution and conference (or an organization approved by either) in recognition of national championships to those student-athletes eligible to participate. The total value of any single award received for a national championship may not exceed \$300, and each permissible awarding agency is subject to a separate \$300 limit per award. The awarding institution and conference (or an organization approved by either) may provide only one award for each championship to each student-athlete. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

16.1.4.3.1 National Championship Not Conducted by NCAA. In those sports or classification divisions in which the Association does not conduct championships, national-championship awards (the total value of each not to exceed \$300) may be presented to members of the team designated as "national champion" by a national wire-service poll or the national coaches association in that sport. Otherwise, only teams winning an NCAA or NAIA national championship may be presented such awards by the institution.

16.1.4.4 Conference Championship. Awards may be presented by a member institution and by a member conference (or an organization approved by either) in recognition of conference championships to student-athletes eligible to participate. The total value of any single award received for a conference championship may not exceed \$300, and each permissible awarding agency is subject to a separate \$300 limit per award. The awarding institution and conference (or an organization approved by either) may provide only one award for each championship to each student-athlete. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

16.1.4.4.1 Regular-Season Conference Champion versus Postseason Conference Champion.

Separate awards may be presented to both the regular-season conference champion and the post-season conference champion, with a separate \$300 limitation; however, if the same institution wins both the regular-season and postseason conference championship, the combined value of both awards shall not exceed \$300. (*Adopted: 1/9/96*)

16.1.4.5 Specialized Performance in Single Contest or during Limited Time Period. Institutions may not present individual awards to student-athletes for specialized performances in particular contests or events or during a limited time period (e.g., “player of the game” or “player of the week”). However, a conference or an organization, such as a business firm or other outside agency, may recognize a student-athlete’s outstanding performance in a particular contest or during a particular time period by presenting a certificate, plaque or medal valued at less than \$75. It is not permissible for such a conference or organization to provide any other tangible item or award. (*Revised: 1/10/95, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

16.1.4.6 Hometown Award. It is permissible for a hometown group (other than the institution’s athletics booster club) to provide an award (e.g., certificate, medal or plaque) to a student-athlete for outstanding accomplishments in intercollegiate athletics, provided the value of such an award does not exceed \$75. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

16.1.4.7 Local Civic Organization. A local civic organization (e.g., Rotary Club, Touchdown Club) may provide awards to a member institution’s team(s). The following regulations shall apply to such an event: (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

- (a) All awards must be approved by the institution and must be counted in the institution’s limit for institutional awards; and
- (b) The organization may not recognize or provide awards to prospective student-athletes at the banquet.

16.1.5 Purchase Restrictions

16.1.5.1 Assignment of Normal Retail Value. Normal retail value shall be assigned as the value of an award when determining whether an award meets specified value limits, even when a member institution receives institutional awards from an athletics representative or organization free of charge or at a special reduced rate. Normal retail value is the cost to the institution that is based solely on volume and is available to all purchasers of a similar volume and that does not involve an obligation to make additional purchases to enable the supplier to recover the costs for the original purchase. (*Adopted: 1/16/93*)

16.1.5.2 Supplementary Purchase Arrangement. An institution may not enter into a supplementary purchase arrangement with an awards supplier whereby the supplier agrees to sell an award (e.g., a watch or ring) at a price below the maximum amount specified by NCAA legislation with the understanding that the institution will make additional purchases of other unrelated items to enable the supplier to recover the costs for the original purchase. Such an arrangement would exceed the specific value limitations placed on permissible awards.

16.1.5.3 Combining Values. An institution may not combine the value limits of awards given in a sport during the same season, or given to athletes who participate in more than one sport, to provide an award more expensive than permissible under separate application to some or all of its participating student-athletes.

16.1.5.4 Student Contribution to Purchase. The value of an award may not exceed specified value limits, and a student-athlete may not contribute to its purchase in order to meet those limits.

16.1.6 Institutional Awards Banquets. An institution may conduct awards banquets to commemorate the athletics and/or academic accomplishments of its student-athletes. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

16.1.6.1 Booster Club Recognition Banquet. One time per year, an institution’s athletics booster club may finance an intercollegiate team’s transportation expenses to a recognition banquet, provided all expenses are paid through the institution’s athletics department, the location of the event is not more than 100 miles from the campus, and no tangible award is provided to members of the team. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

16.1.7 Expenses to Receive Noninstitutional Awards

16.1.7.1 Hometown Awards. A member institution, its booster club or any other organization may not pay the expenses of any student-athlete returning home to receive an award for athletics accomplishments or for other personal purposes. The student-athlete may return home at his or her own expense to attend a recognition event and receive an award from any hometown group (e.g., alumni club) that is not the institution’s local athletics booster group. (*Revised: 1/14/97*)

16.1.7.2 Established Regional, National or International Awards. It is permissible for an outside

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organization (other than a professional sports organization) to provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to travel to a banquet designed to recognize the individual's accomplishments as an athlete in order for the student-athlete to receive an established regional, national or international award (permitted by NCAA legislation). The outside organization also may provide actual and necessary expenses for the student-athlete's spouse, parents or other relatives to attend the recognition event.

16.1.7.3 Recognition by President, Governor or State Legislative Body. An institution may provide actual and necessary expenses when a team (or its senior student-athletes) is accorded special recognition by the President of the United States or by the governor or legislative body of the state in which the member institution is located.

16.1.7.4 Conference Awards. A conference or its member institutions may provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to travel to the conference office or other site to receive a conference award. In addition, the conference may provide actual and necessary expenses for the student-athlete's parents (or legal guardians) and spouse to attend the presentation of the conference's male or female "athlete of the year" award to the student-athlete, provided not more than one male and one female student-athlete receive such an award per academic year. (*Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/10/95*)

16.2 COMPLIMENTARY ADMISSIONS AND TICKET BENEFITS

16.2.1 Permissible Procedures

16.2.1.1 Institutional Contests in the Student-Athlete's Sport. An institution may provide four complimentary admissions per home or away contest to a student-athlete in the sport in which the individual participates (either practices or competes), regardless of whether the student-athlete competes in the contest.

16.2.1.1.1 Partial Qualifier. An institution may provide a partial qualifier with four complimentary admissions per home contest in the sport in which the individual participates. (*Adopted: 3/19/97*)

16.2.1.1.2 Exception—NCAA Championships and Bowl Games. An institution may provide each student-athlete who participates in or is a member of a team participating in an NCAA championship or bowl game with six complimentary admissions to all contests at the site at which the student (or team) participates. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

16.2.1.1.3 Tournaments. Complimentary admissions may be provided to members of the institution's team for all contests in a tournament in which the team is participating, rather than only for the games in which the institution's team participates. However, the contests must be at the site at which the institution's team participates.

16.2.1.2 Division II Regulations. Complimentary tickets shall be distributed only to persons designated by the student-athlete who have identified themselves and signed a receipt therefor. The institution shall be responsible for this administrative procedure, and the student-athlete's eligibility shall be affected by involvement in action contrary to the provisions of Bylaws 16.2.1.1 and 16.2.2.1.

16.2.1.2.1 Partial Qualifier or Nonqualifier. A partial qualifier or nonqualifier (per Bylaw 14.02.9.4) may receive a complimentary admission to all of the institution's regular-season home intercollegiate athletics contests during the first academic year of residence.

16.2.1.3 Institution's Home Contests in Other Sports. An institution may provide admission for each student-athlete to all of the institution's regular-season home intercollegiate athletics contests in sports other than that in which the student-athlete is a participant, via a printed student-athlete pass or gate list. Proof of identity shall be required upon admission.

16.2.2 Nonpermissible Procedures

16.2.2.1 Sale of Complimentary Admissions. A student-athlete may not receive payment from any source for his or her complimentary admissions and may not exchange or assign them for any item of value.

16.2.2.2 Payment to Third Party. Individuals designated by the student-athlete to receive complimentary admissions are not permitted to receive any type of payment for these admissions or to exchange or assign them for any item of value. Receipt of payment for complimentary admissions by such designated individuals is prohibited and considered an extra benefit not available to the general student body, which would render the student-athlete ineligible for participation in intercollegiate athletics.

16.2.2.3 Student-Athlete Ticket Purchases. An institution may not provide a special arrangement to sell a student-athlete ticket(s) to an athletics event. Tickets shall be available for purchase by student-athletes according to the same purchasing procedures used for other students.

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16.2.2.4 Sale above Face Value. A student-athlete may not purchase tickets for an athletics contest from the institution and then sell the tickets at a price greater than their face value.

16.2.2.5 Professional Sports Tickets. An institution or any representative of its athletics interests may not purchase or otherwise obtain tickets to a professional sports contest and make these tickets available to student-athletes enrolled in an NCAA member institution. Such a gift of tickets would represent an unacceptable extra benefit. (See Bylaw 16.7.1.1 for permissible provision of professional sports tickets as team entertainment related to an away-from-home contest.)

16.3 ACADEMIC AND OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES

16.3.1 Permissible. Academic and other support services that may be financed by an institution are:

- (a) Tutoring expenses;
- (b) Drug-rehabilitation program expenses;
- (c) Counseling expenses related to the treatment of eating disorders; (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)
- (d) On-campus student development and career counseling (including the provision of related materials of little or no commercial value to student-athletes) using outside resources; (*Revised: 1/10/95*)
- (e) Future professional athletics career counseling from a panel of at least three persons appointed by the institution's chief executive officer (or his or her designated representative from outside the athletics department). Not more than one such panel member may be an athletics department staff member, and all other panel members must be selected by the institution from among its full-time employees who are employed outside the athletics department. All panel members shall be identified to the national office (see Bylaw 12.3.4);
- (f) Actual and necessary expenses to attend proceedings conducted by the institution, its athletics conference or the NCAA that relate to the student-athlete's eligibility to participate in intercollegiate athletics or legal proceedings that result from the student-athlete's involvement in athletics practice or competitive events. The cost of legal representation in such proceedings also may be provided by the institution (or a representative of its athletics interests);
- (g) Use of computers and typewriters; and
- (h) Cost of a field trip, provided the field trip is required of all students in the course and the fee for such trips is specified in the institution's catalog.

16.3.2 Nonpermissible. Services that may not be financed by the institution include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) Typing costs, even if typed reports and other papers are a requirement of a course in which a student-athlete is enrolled. Typing costs are not considered an institutional fee under NCAA legislation, and payment would be considered an extra benefit not available to the general student body;
- (b) Course supplies (e.g., calculators, art supplies); and
- (c) Use of a copy machine only for student-athletes.

16.4 MEDICAL EXPENSES

16.4.1 Permissible. Identified medical expense benefits incidental to a student's participation in intercollegiate athletics that may be financed by the institution are:

- (a) Athletics medical insurance;
- (b) Death and dismemberment insurance for travel connected with intercollegiate athletics competition and practice;
- (c) Drug-rehabilitation expenses;
- (d) Counseling expenses related to the treatment of eating disorders; (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)
- (e) Special individual expenses resulting from a permanent disability that precludes further athletics participation. The illness or injury producing the disability must involve a former student-athlete or have occurred while the student-athlete was enrolled at the institution, or while the prospective student-athlete was on an official paid visit to the institution's campus. An institution or outside agency, or both, may raise money through donations, benefits or like activities to assist the student-athlete or a prospective student-athlete. All funds secured shall be controlled by the institution, and the money shall be used exclusively to meet these expenses;
- (f) Glasses, contact lenses or protective eyewear (e.g., goggles) for student-athletes who require visual correction in order to participate in intercollegiate athletics;

- (g) Medical examinations at any time for enrolled student-athletes;
- (h) Expenses for medical treatment (including transportation and other related costs) incurred by a student-athlete as a result of an athletically related injury. Such expenses may include the cost of traveling to the location of medical treatment or the provision of actual and necessary living expenses for the student-athlete to be treated at a site on or off the campus during the summer months while the student-athlete is not actually attending classes. Medical documentation shall be available to support the necessity of the treatment at the location in question;
- (i) Surgical expenses to a student-athlete (including a partial qualifier or a nonqualifier) who is injured during the academic year while participating in voluntary physical activities that will prepare the student-athlete for competition; (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)
- (j) Medication and physical therapy used by a student-athlete during the academic year to enable the individual to participate in intercollegiate athletics, regardless of whether the injury or illness is the result of intercollegiate competition or practice;
- (k) Medication and physical therapy used by a student-athlete (even if the student-athlete is not a full-time student) during the academic year to enable the individual to participate in intercollegiate athletics, only if the student-athlete resides on campus (or in the local community of the institution) and appropriate medical documentation is available to establish that the student-athlete is unable to attend the institution as a full-time student as a result of the student-athlete's injury or illness; and (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)
- (l) Preseason dental examinations conducted in conjunction with a regular preseason physical examination.

16.4.2 Nonpermissible. Student-athlete medical expense benefits that may not be financed by the institution are:

- (a) Student health insurance, if the insurance is provided or offered to the general student body only on an optional basis, except that if such insurance is required for a particular group of students (e.g., foreign students), such expenses may be paid for student-athletes who are members of such a group. Only such required fees may be paid as a part of an institutional grant-in-aid for student-athletes;
- (b) Surgical expenses to treat a student-athlete's illness or injury that was not a result of practice for or participation in intercollegiate athletics at the institution and did not occur during voluntary physical activities that will prepare the student-athlete for competition; (*Revised: 1/10/92*)
- (c) Medical or hospital expenses incurred as the result of an injury while going to or from class, or while participating in classroom requirements (e.g., physical education), unless similar services are provided by the institution to all students or by the terms and conditions of the institution's overall insurance program;
- (d) Teeth cleaning, provisional filling of teeth or other dental work, unless the dental work is directly related to injury to the teeth that occurred during practice or competition; and
- (e) Weight-gain and muscle/strength building supplements or products to student-athletes at any time. (*Adopted: 4/22/98, Revised: 1/12/99*)

16.4.2.1 Eligibility Ramifications—Restitution for Receipt of Improper Benefits. For violations of Bylaw 16.4.2 in which the value of the benefit is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the student-athlete shall not be affected conditioned on the student-athlete repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The student-athlete, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the student-athlete repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the student-athlete's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. (*Adopted: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99*)

16.5 HOUSING AND MEALS

16.5.1 Permissible. Identified housing and meal benefits incidental to a student's participation in intercollegiate athletics that may be financed by the institution are:

- (a) **Summer-Dormitory Rentals.** An institution may rent, at the regular institutional rate, dormitory space to a prospective or enrolled student-athlete during the summer months if it is the institution's policy to make dormitory space available on the same basis to all prospective or enrolled students (see Bylaw 15.2.2.4 for permissible housing benefits for student-athletes eligible to receive financial aid while attending summer school);
- (b) **Preseason Practice Expenses.** The institution may provide the cost of room and board to student-athletes who report for preseason practice before the start of the academic year, it being understood that the student-athlete has been accepted for admission to the institution at the time such benefits are received;

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- (c) **Meals Incidental to Participation.** Student-athletes who are not receiving athletically related financial aid (e.g., walk-ons) may receive the benefit of a training-table meal during the permissible playing and practice season in those instances in which the student-athlete's schedule is affected by involvement in practice activities, provided the student-athlete previously has paid for the same meal (e.g., dinner) at an institutional dining facility. Further, all student-athletes are permitted to receive a pre- or postgame meal or snack as a benefit incidental to participation;
- (d) **Vacation-Period Expenses.** The institution may provide the cost of room and board to student-athletes during official institutional vacation periods under the following circumstances: (*Revised: 1/14/97, 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)
- (1) Student-athletes who are required to remain on the institution's campus for organized practice sessions or competition during the institution's official vacation periods during the regular academic year. If the student-athlete lives at home during the vacation period, the cost of room and board may not be provided by the institution, other than to permit the student-athlete to participate in team meals incidental to practice sessions. If an institution does not provide a meal to its student-athletes, a cash allowance may be provided, not to exceed the amount provided by the institution to institutional staff members on away-from-campus trips.
 - (2) Student-athletes who return to campus during the institution's official vacation period occurring during a regular academic term (e.g., not including vacation periods between terms) from competition as outlined in Bylaws 16.8.1.2-(a) through 16.8.1.2-(e). Under such circumstances, room and board expenses may be provided beginning with the student-athlete's arrival on campus until the institution's regular dormitories and dining facilities reopen. If the student-athlete lives at home during the vacation period, the cost of room and board may not be provided by the institution.
 - (3) Student-athletes who return to campus during the institution's official vacation period between regular academic terms (e.g., summer-vacation period) from competition as outlined in Bylaws 16.8.1.2-(a) through 16.8.1.2-(e). Under such circumstances, room and board expenses may be provided for no more than a 48-hour period, beginning with the student-athlete's return to campus. If the student-athlete lives at home during the vacation period, the cost of room and board may not be provided by the institution.
- (e) **Meals Related to Institutional Committee Service.** A student-athlete who serves on an institutional committee may receive expenses to cover the cost of a meal missed as a result of a committee meeting that occurs when regular institutional dining facilities are open. (*Adopted: 1/12/99*)

16.5.2 Nonpermissible

16.5.2.1 Housing Benefits. The institution may not provide an on-campus or off-campus housing benefit (e.g., individual television sets or stereo equipment, a recreation room or a centralized television room, room furnishings or appointments of extra quality or quantity) for student-athletes that is not available on the same basis to the general student body. The material benefits in question are permissible only if provided in approximately the same ratio to at least one-half of all other students using on-campus housing facilities. Otherwise, dormitories with exclusive material housing benefits may not be used by student-athletes.

16.6 EXPENSES FOR STUDENT-ATHLETE'S FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

16.6.1 Permissible

16.6.1.1 Expenses for Spouse/Children to Postseason Football Game. The institution may provide the cost of actual and necessary expenses (e.g., transportation, lodging, meals and expenses associated with team entertainment functions) for the spouse and children of an eligible student-athlete to accompany the student-athlete to a certified postseason football game or an NCAA championship in the sport of football.

16.6.1.2 Life-Threatening Injury or Illness. The institution may pay transportation, housing and meal expenses for parents (or legal guardians) and the spouse of a student-athlete and for the student-athlete's teammates to be present in situations in which a student-athlete suffers a life-threatening injury or illness or, in the event of a student-athlete's death, to provide these expenses in conjunction with funeral arrangements. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

16.6.1.2.1 Immediate Family Member of Student-Athlete. An institution may pay transportation, housing and meal expenses for a student-athlete and the student-athlete's teammates to be present, within a 100-mile radius of the institution's campus, in situations in which an immediate family member of the student-athlete (i.e., spouse, parent and legal guardian, sister, brother) suffers a life-threatening injury or illness or, in the event of an immediate family member's death, to provide the student-athlete and the student-athlete's teammates with expenses in conjunction

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with funeral arrangements. A preexisting relationship must exist between the student-athlete's teammates and the deceased or injured individual. (*Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95*)

16.6.1.3 Family to Established Recognition Event. An outside organization (other than a professional sports organization) may provide actual and necessary expenses for the student-athlete and the student-athlete's spouse, parents or other relatives to attend a recognition event where the student-athlete receives an established regional, national or international award (permitted by NCAA legislation) for his or her accomplishments as an athlete.

16.6.1.4 Family Travel to Olympic Games. A commercial company (other than a professional sports organization) or members of the local community may provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete's spouse, parents, legal guardians or other relatives to attend the Olympic Games in which the student-athlete will participate. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

16.6.1.5 Complimentary Admissions to Institutional Awards Banquet. A member institution may provide complimentary admissions to one annual institutional awards banquet for a student-athlete's two guests and spouse, if applicable. (*Adopted: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99*)

16.6.1.6 Reasonable Refreshments in Conjunction with Educational Events. Once per year, an institution may provide reasonable refreshments at educational sessions (e.g., regarding agents, drugs) conducted for student-athletes' parents or legal guardians. (*Adopted: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99*)

16.6.2 Nonpermissible

16.6.2.1 Expenses for Visits by Friends and Relatives. An institution or any of its athletics representatives may not provide payment of any expenses (e.g., room, board, transportation) for friends or relatives to visit a student-athlete at the institution where he or she is enrolled.

16.6.2.2 Expenses for Friends and Relatives to Attend Recognition Events. An institution or any of its athletics representatives may not provide the friends or relatives of student-athletes free admissions or meals in conjunction with the institution's or booster club's recognition banquet. (*Adopted: 1/10/91*)

16.6.2.3 Expenses for Spouse to Attend All-Star Game. An institution or any of its athletics representatives may not provide payment of expenses for the student-athlete's spouse to accompany him or her to a postseason all-star football or basketball game. Provision of such expenses is considered an extra benefit to the relative of a student-athlete that is not available to the relatives of the general student body.

16.6.2.4 Other Expenses. An institution may not provide any other expenses (except as permitted in Bylaws 16.6.1 and 16.13) to a student-athlete's friends or relatives.

16.6.2.5 Eligibility Ramifications—Restitution for Receipt of Improper Benefits. For violations of Bylaw 16.6.2 in which the value of the benefit received by a student-athlete's friend or relative is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the student-athlete shall not be affected conditioned on the student-athlete repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The student-athlete, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the student-athlete repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the student-athlete's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. (*Adopted: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99*)

16.7 TEAM ENTERTAINMENT

16.7.1 Away-From-Home Contests. The institution may pay the actual costs (but may not provide cash) for reasonable entertainment that takes place within a 100-mile radius of where a team plays or practices in connection with an away-from-home contest or en route to or from such a contest. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93, 1/11/94*)

16.7.1.1 Professional Sports Tickets. Complimentary tickets to professional sports contests shall not be provided to student-athletes, unless the tickets are provided by the institution (or by a representative of athletics interests through the institution) for entertainment purposes to student-athletes involved in an away-from-home contest. Under the latter circumstances, the institution may pay actual costs for reasonable entertainment that takes place during a team trip.

16.7.2 Departure/Return Restrictions. It is not permissible for a team to depart more than 48 hours before or to remain more than 36 hours after an event or to transport the team to another area for entertainment purposes.

16.7.2.1 Exceptions. The time limitations related to the provisions of travel expenses do not apply in the following circumstances: (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

- (a) Travel before and after contests in Hawaii or Alaska; (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

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- (b) Travel before and after contests in the 48 contiguous states for member institutions located in Hawaii and Alaska; (*Adopted: 1/16/93*)
- (c) Travel before and after regular-season competition that takes place during the institution's official vacation period during the academic year; (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/10/95*)
- (d) Travel before contests in NCAA championship events, NGB championship events in an emerging sport or certified postseason football games; or (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97*)
- (e) Travel before the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame benefit game or the American Football Coaches Retirement Trust benefit game. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

16.7.3 Films/Movies/Videotapes. The institution may rent a film or movie, provide pay-per-view movies in the student-athletes' hotel rooms or take its intercollegiate team to the movies in conjunction with the student-athletes' home or away-from-home contest (immediately before or during the road trip), the night before a contest without the film or movie being considered an extra benefit not available to the student body. Such entertainment the night before a contest is considered a benefit incidental to the student-athlete's participation. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

16.7.4 Practice Sites on Road Trips. Any practice on an extended road trip shall take place either at the competition site or on a direct route between two consecutive competition sites. It is not permissible for an institution to schedule practice sessions at other locations in order to provide entertainment opportunities for team members.

16.8 EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION

16.8.1 Permissible. The permissible expenses for practice and competition that an institution may provide a student-athlete are defined in the following subsections. (See Bylaw 16.11 for expenses that may be provided by individuals or organizations other than the institution.)

16.8.1.1 Practice. Expenses may be paid for practice sessions only if they are associated with an away-from-home contest or conducted at a site located within the member institution's state or, if outside that state, no more than 100 miles from the institution's campus.

16.8.1.1.1 Practice Sites on Road Trips. Any practice on an extended road trip shall take place either at the competition site or on a direct route between two consecutive competition sites. It is not permissible for an institution to schedule practice sessions at other locations in order to provide entertainment opportunities for team members.

16.8.1.1.2 Skiing—Weather Exception. In the sports of men's and women's skiing, a member institution may transport a team to a practice site beyond the mileage limitations of Bylaw 16.8.1.1 if necessitated by weather conditions. (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)

16.8.1.1.3 Women's Rowing—Weather Exception. In the sport of women's rowing, a member institution may transport a team to a practice site beyond the mileage limitations of Bylaw 16.8.1.1 if necessitated by weather conditions. Such practice shall occur only during an institution's official vacation period and must be within the institution's declared playing and practice season in the sport of women's rowing. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

16.8.1.1.4 On- or Off-Campus Practice Sites. An institution may transport student-athletes from a central on-campus site (e.g., the locker room) to an on- or off-campus practice site. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

16.8.1.2 Competition While Representing Institution. An institution may provide actual and necessary travel expenses (e.g., transportation, lodging and meals) to a student-athlete for participation in athletics competition, provided the student-athlete is representing the institution (competes in the uniform of the institution) and is eligible for collegiate competition. Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the student-athlete's eligibility. Such competition includes: (*Revised: 1/10/92, 1/13/98*)

- (a) Regularly scheduled intercollegiate athletics events;
- (b) NCAA championship events and NGB championship events in an emerging sport; (*Revised: 1/14/97*)
- (c) A certified postseason football game (see Bylaws 18.7 and 30.9 for conditions required for certification);
- (d) Noncollegiate open, amateur competition; and (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)
- (e) Other institutional competition permissible under NCAA legislation, including postseason events.

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16.8.1.2.1 Departure/Return Expense Restrictions. An eligible student-athlete may receive actual and necessary travel expenses to represent the institution in athletics competition, provided the student-athlete departs for the competition no earlier than 48 hours before the start of the actual competition and remains no more than 36 hours after the conclusion of the actual competition even if the student-athlete does not return with the team. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

16.8.1.2.1.1 Exceptions. These travel expense restrictions do not apply in the following circumstances: *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

- (a) Travel before and after contests in Hawaii or Alaska; *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*
- (b) Travel before and after contests in the 48 contiguous states for member institutions located in Hawaii or Alaska; *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*
- (c) Travel before and after regular-season competition that takes place during the institution's official vacation period during the academic year; *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/10/95)*
- (d) Travel before contests in NCAA championship events, NGB championships in emerging sports or certified postseason football games; *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97)*
- (e) Travel before the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame benefit game or the American Football Coaches Retirement Trust benefit game; *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*
- (f) Travel before and after regular-season competition that takes place during the institution's summer vacation period; *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*
- (g) Travel before and after regular-season competition that takes place in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season and limited to not more than once every four years; or *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*
- (h) Travel before the United States Gymnastics Federation (USGF) collegiate championships. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

16.8.1.2.2 Transportation for Competition Occurring between Terms. It is permissible for any athletics department staff member to furnish transportation to eligible student-athletes to the campus from the nearest bus or train station or major airport in conjunction with practice and/or team travel relating to competition that occurs between the end of a final examination period of the fall semester (or fall or winter quarter) and the beginning of the next regular term. *(Adopted: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/90)*

16.8.1.2.3 Meal-Allowance Limitation. All student-athletes on the same team must receive identical meal allowances on intercollegiate trips and during vacation periods when student-athletes are required to remain on the institution's campus for organized practice sessions or competition. Such allowances may not exceed the amount provided by the institution to institutional staff members on away-from-campus trips and may not be provided for a particular meal, if the student-athlete receives that meal (or its equivalent) from another source. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

16.8.1.3 Other Competition. During an academic year in which a student-athlete is eligible to represent an institution in athletics competition (or in the next summer), an institution may provide actual and necessary expenses related to participation in the following activities: *(Revised: 1/10/92, 1/14/97)*

- (a) Established national championship events (including junior national championships);
- (b) Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup and World University Games qualifying competition; and *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*
- (c) USOC Olympic Festival basketball and volleyball tryouts.

16.8.1.4 Travel to Regular-Season Contests during Vacation Period—Divisions I and II.

16.8.1.4.1 General Rule. An institution may provide team transportation for a student-athlete to travel from campus to the site of a regular-season contest and back to campus. *(Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/10/95, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

16.8.1.4.1.1 Exception. If a student-athlete travels to a site other than the event site during the vacation period, the institution may provide the cost of round-trip transportation for the student-athlete to travel from campus to the event site and back to campus even if the student-athlete does not travel with the team. The student-athlete shall pay only the additional cost associated with traveling to a site other than the event site. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

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16.8.1.5 Travel to NCAA Championships, NGB Championships in Emerging Sports and Postseason Bowl Games during Vacation Period. *(Revised: 1/14/97)*

16.8.1.5.1 General Rule. The institution may provide team transportation for a student-athlete to travel from campus to the site of an NCAA championship, NGB championship in an emerging sport or a postseason bowl game and back to campus. *(Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/10/95, 1/14/97)*

16.8.1.5.1.1 Exceptions

- (a) **Student-Athlete Does Not Use Team Transportation.** If the student-athlete goes home during the vacation period, the institution may provide (in lieu of team transportation) the greater of the transportation costs for the student-athlete to travel from:
 - (1) Campus to the event site and back to campus;
 - (2) Campus to the student-athlete's home and back to campus; or
 - (3) The student-athlete's home to the event site and back home *(Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/95)*
- (b) **Student-Athlete Uses "Leg" of Team Transportation.** An institution that provides one "leg" of actual team transportation (i.e., campus to the event site or from the event site back to campus) must deduct the value of the actual transportation cost of that "leg" from the allowance provided the student-athlete in (a) above. *(Adopted: 1/10/95)*
- (c) **Second Trip Home.** If a student-athlete either uses team transportation to travel from campus to the event site and back to campus, or participates in an event that takes place in the institution's home community, and also has personally paid for a round-trip ticket home during that same vacation period, that student-athlete may be provided actual transportation expenses to travel between campus and home on a second occasion during that same period. *(Adopted: 1/10/95)*

16.8.1.6 Incidental Expenses at NCAA Championships, NGB Championships in Emerging Sports and Certified Bowl Games. An institution may provide \$20 per day to each member of the squad to cover unitemized incidental expenses during travel and practice for NCAA championship events or NGB championship events in emerging sports, during a period limited to the maximum number of days of per diem allowed for the involved championship, or, for certified postseason bowl contests, for a period not to exceed 10 days. The \$20 per day may be provided only after the institution's team departs for or reports to the site of the championship or postseason bowl contest. *(Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95, 1/14/97)*

16.8.1.6.1 Excessive Per Diem Subsidies. When a sponsoring agency provides a per diem in excess of a student-athlete's actual and necessary expenses, it is not permissible for the institution to provide the student-athlete with the cash difference between the amount allocated for per diem by the sponsoring agency and the actual cost of the individual's room and board expenses. *(Adopted: 1/10/91)*

16.8.1.7 Sports Organization Membership Fee. An institution may provide a student-athlete membership in a sports organization (e.g., United States Volleyball Association, United States Gymnastics Federation), if the membership is a component of an entry fee required for competition in which the student-athlete is representing the member institution. Further, the student-athlete would be permitted to retain resultant membership benefits under such circumstances.

16.8.2 Nonpermissible

16.8.2.1 Travel Apparel. An institution may not provide to student-athletes team travel outfits, blazers or other items of clothing that are not sports-related practice or competition apparel.

16.8.2.2 Transportation to/from Student-Athlete's Residence. An institution may not provide transportation (e.g., shuttle, van) to on-campus practice sites for student-athletes traveling to and from their on- or off-campus residences, except in unusual situations involving danger, inclement weather or other similar extenuating circumstances. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

16.8.2.3 Reimbursement for Travel to Practice. An institution may not reimburse a student-athlete, if the individual provides his or her own transportation to attend practice at an on- or off-campus site. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

16.8.2.4 Reimbursement for Travel to Competition. An institution may not reimburse a student-athlete for expenses incurred while driving to an institution's off-campus competition site, if the parents (or other relatives or friends) accompany the student-athlete to the competition site. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

16.8.2.5 Eligibility Ramifications—Restitution for Receipt of Improper Benefits. For violations of Bylaw 16.8.2 in which the value of the benefit is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the student athlete shall

not be affected conditioned on the student-athlete repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The student-athlete, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the student-athlete repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the student-athlete's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. *(Adopted: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99)*

16.9 FOREIGN-TOUR EXPENSES

16.9.1 Per Diem. An institution may provide a student-athlete \$20 cash per day to cover unitemized incidental expenses incurred in connection with a foreign tour in his or her particular sport. This expense allowance may be provided for each day of the tour, to a maximum of 21 days. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

16.9.2 Post-Tour Stay. An institution may not provide transportation expenses to return home for a student-athlete who remains in the foreign country after the foreign tour is completed.

16.9.3 Passports. An institution may purchase passports for its student-athletes that are required for travel in connection with a foreign tour, and student-athletes may retain ownership of such passports. The institution also may provide student-athletes with reasonable local transportation to obtain such passports. *(Revised: 1/10/95)*

16.10 OTHER TRAVEL EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION

16.10.1 Permissible

16.10.1.1 Awards or Recognition Meetings. An institution or representatives of its athletics interests (through the institution) may provide actual and necessary expenses to transport a team to awards or recognition meetings specified in Bylaws 16.1.6, 16.1.7.3 and 16.1.7.4.

16.10.1.2 Goodwill Tours. The institution may pay the actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to participate in a preseason goodwill tour to promote its intercollegiate athletics program, provided the tour does not involve more than two student-athletes in the same sport who have eligibility remaining and is confined to the state in which the institution is located, or within 100 miles of the institution's main campus, if out of state.

16.10.1.3 Local Media Appearances. The institution may provide actual and necessary transportation expenses for local media appearances (e.g., radio, television, print media) within a 30-mile radius of the institution's campus, if the student-athlete's appearance is related to athletics ability or prestige.

16.10.1.4 Medical Treatment. The institution may pay transportation and related expenses for travel to the location of medical treatment as specified in Bylaw 16.4.1.

16.10.1.5 Life-Threatening Injury or Illness. The institution may pay transportation and housing expenses for the spouse and the parents (or legal guardians) of a student-athlete and for the student-athlete's teammates to be present in situations in which a student-athlete suffers a life-threatening injury or illness, or, in the event of a student-athlete's death, to provide these expenses in conjunction with funeral arrangements. *(Revised: 1/11/89)*

16.10.1.5.1 Immediate Family Member of Student-Athlete. An institution may pay transportation, housing and meal expenses for a student-athlete and the student-athlete's teammates to be present, within a 100-mile radius of the institution's campus, in situations in which an immediate family member of the student-athlete (i.e., spouse, parent and legal guardian, sister, brother) suffers a life-threatening injury or illness or, in the event of an immediate family member's death, to provide the student-athlete and the student-athlete's teammates with expenses in conjunction with funeral arrangements. A preexisting relationship must exist between the student-athlete's teammates and the deceased or injured individual. *(Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95)*

16.10.1.6 Media Days. The institution may pay actual and necessary expenses for its student-athletes to attend conference-sponsored media days and regularly established local or regional media functions.

16.10.1.7 Promotional, Educational, Charitable or Nonprofit Activities. The institution may provide a student-athlete legitimate and normal expenses related to participation in activities set forth in Bylaw 12.5, provided such participation occurs within the state or, if outside the state, within a 100-mile radius of the institution's campus. *(Revised: 1/11/89)*

16.10.1.8 National Girls and Women in Sports Day. An institution may pay actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to participate in activities and events associated with National Girls and Women in Sports Day, provided such activities and events are conducted either in the state in which the institution is located or in Washington, D.C., as part of a national celebration. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

- * **16.10.1.9 National Student-Athlete Day.** An institution may pay actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to participate in activities and events associated with National Student-Athlete Day, provided such activities and events are conducted either in the state in which the institution is located or in Washington D.C., as part of a national celebration. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

16.10.1.10 Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Meetings. An institution or conference may pay actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to attend conference, regional or national student-athlete advisory committee meetings. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

16.10.1.11 Local Transportation. Staff members may provide reasonable local transportation to student-athletes on an occasional basis. (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

16.10.2 Nonpermissible

16.10.2.1 Automobile. An institution may not provide the student-athlete with an automobile under any circumstances.

16.10.2.2 Returning Home to Receive Award. An institution may not pay the expenses of any student-athlete returning home to receive an award for athletics accomplishments or for other personal purposes.

16.10.2.3 Summer Job. An institution may not pay a student-athlete's transportation expenses to or from his or her summer job, unless such expenses are paid for all employees in that situation. (See Bylaw 13.13.2.1.1 for additional restrictions governing the employment of student-athletes by camps or clinics.) (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

16.10.2.4 Outside Event. An institution may not pay transportation or other expenses for a student-athlete to attend any athletics event when he or she is not representing the institution, except for established national championships (including junior national championships); Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup and World University Games qualifying competition. (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

16.10.2.5 Fellowship of Christian Athletes. An institution may not pay transportation or other expenses for a student-athlete to attend Fellowship of Christian Athletes encampments (see Bylaw 16.11.1.3).

16.10.2.6 Single-Game Promotional Media Events. An institution may not pay transportation or other expenses for a student-athlete to attend special or single-game promotional media events that are not regularly established local media functions.

16.10.2.7 Reimbursement for Transportation. An institution or its staff member may not provide transportation (e.g., a ride home with a coach) to an enrolled student-athlete even if the student-athlete reimburses the institution or its staff member for the appropriate amount of the gas expense.

16.10.2.8 Eligibility Ramifications—Restitution for Receipt of Improper Benefits. For violations of Bylaw 16.10.2 in which the value of the benefit is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the student-athlete shall not be affected conditioned on the student-athlete repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The student-athlete, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the student-athlete repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the student-athlete's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. (*Adopted: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99*)

16.11 PROVISION OF EXPENSES BY INDIVIDUALS OR ORGANIZATIONS OTHER THAN THE INSTITUTION

16.11.1 Permissible

16.11.1.1 Broken-Time Payments. The student-athlete may receive compensation authorized by the United States Olympic Committee to cover financial loss as a result of absence from employment to prepare for or participate in the Olympic Games. Such compensation (i.e., "broken-time" payments) is limited to the period immediately before and including actual Olympic competition. The receipt of payments during any other period, or from other sports governing bodies (e.g., United States Ski Association) independent of the USOC, would jeopardize the student-athlete's eligibility.

16.11.1.1.1 Exception When Student-Athlete Not Enrolled in Regular Term. A student-athlete may receive broken-time payments administered by the United States Olympic Committee or the national governing body in the sport during a period when the student-athlete is not enrolled (full or part time) in a regular term to cover financial loss as a result of absence from employment as a direct result of practicing and competing on a national team (defined in Bylaw 14.02.7), provided the amounts are consistent with the principles set forth in Bylaw 12.4.1 and do not exceed \$300 per week, and the payment period covers no more than the period from the date the student-ath-

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lete begins practice with the national team after selection to that team to one week after the conclusion of the competition. (*Adopted: 1/10/90, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

16.11.1.2 Exception for USOC Elite Athlete Health Insurance Program. An individual may receive the comprehensive benefits of the USOC Elite Athlete Health Insurance Program. (*Adopted: 1/10/90*)

16.11.1.3 FCA Encampments. Nationally recognized service organizations and church groups (including the Fellowship of Christian Athletes) may underwrite the actual and necessary expenses of student-athletes attending Fellowship of Christian Athletes encampments. Neither the institution nor an athletically related organization may underwrite such expenses.

16.11.1.4 Outside Sports Teams. An amateur outside sports team or organization may provide actual and necessary expenses to team members only if the expenses are:

- (a) A reasonable amount for travel and meal expenses, and apparel and equipment (for individual and team use only from teams or organizations not affiliated with member institutions, including local sports clubs as set forth in Bylaw 13.12.2.4); (*Revised: 1/10/90*)
- (b) For practice and game competition;
- (c) Made on a regular basis; and
- (d) Not an incentive and not based on performance.

16.11.1.4.1 Practice in Conjunction with Competition. Practice expenses may be accepted only when such practice is directly related to a competition and is conducted during a continuous time period before the competition. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

16.11.1.4.1.1 National Team Practice Exception. If a student-athlete is involved in practice sessions conducted by a national team, the student-athlete may receive such practice expenses even if the practice is not continuous and occasionally is interrupted for specified periods of time before the competition. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

16.11.1.5 Student-Teaching. A student-athlete may accept actual and necessary travel expenses from a high school where he or she is student-teaching (even if teaching or coaching a sport), if the high school is located in a city other than the one in which the collegiate institution is located. In order for the student-athlete to accept such expenses:

- (a) Receipt of the expenses must be permitted by the established guidelines of the institution for other student-teacher trainees;
- (b) The assigned coaching responsibilities must be a part of the supervised, evaluated teacher-training program in which the student-athlete is enrolled; and
- (c) The high school must provide such expenses for all of its student-teacher trainees.

16.11.1.6 Luncheon Meeting Expenses. A student-athlete may accept transportation and meal expenses in conjunction with participation in a luncheon meeting of a booster club or civic organization, provided the meeting occurs within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus and no tangible award is provided to the student-athlete.

16.11.1.7 Charitable, Educational or Nonprofit Activities. A student-athlete may accept legitimate and normal expenses from a charitable or educational agency for participation in activities set forth in Bylaw 12.5, provided such participation occurs within the state or, if outside the state, within a 100-mile radius of the institution's campus (see also Bylaw 12.5.1.1.1). (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

16.11.2 Nonpermissible

16.11.2.1 Unitemized Expenses. A student-athlete may not accept money for unspecified or unitemized expenses from any organization or individual.

16.11.2.2 Prohibited Expenses. A student-athlete may not accept money for expenses that are prohibited by the rules governing an amateur noncollegiate event in which the individual participates.

16.11.2.3 Broken-Time Payments. The receipt by a student-athlete of compensation for a financial loss resulting from absence from employment (i.e., "broken-time" payments), except as permitted in Bylaws 12.4.2.2, 16.11.1.1 and 16.11.1.1.1, is prohibited. (*Revised: 1/10/90*)

16.11.2.4 Sponsors. An individual (e.g., tennis player or golfer) who is not representing an educational institution during participation in athletics competition may not accept any expenses, or any other form of compensation, to participate in the competition from any sponsor other than an individual on whom the athlete is naturally or legally dependent or the organization (other than a professional sports organization) that is sponsoring the competition.

16.11.2.5 Expenses Based on Place Finish. Receipt of expenses is prohibited when the amount received is based on the individual's place finish achieved in the competition (e.g., tennis, golf, track and field).

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16.11.2.6 FCA Encampments. A student-athlete may not accept expenses from any athletically related organization to attend Fellowship of Christian Athletes encampments. Nationally recognized service organizations and church groups (including the Fellowship of Christian Athletes) may underwrite the actual and necessary expenses for such attendance.

16.11.2.7 Eligibility Ramifications—Restitution for Receipt of Improper Benefits. For violations of Bylaw 16.11.2 in which the value of the benefit is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the student-athlete shall not be affected conditioned on the student-athlete repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The student-athlete, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the student-athlete repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the student-athlete's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. *(Adopted: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99)*

16.12 BENEFITS, GIFTS AND SERVICES

16.12.1 Permissible

16.12.1.1 General Rule. Receipt of a benefit (including otherwise prohibited extra benefits per Bylaw 16.12.2) by student-athletes, their relatives or friends is not a violation of NCAA rules if it is demonstrated that the same benefit is generally available to the institution's students and their relatives or friends.

16.12.1.2 Deferred Pay-Back Loan. A student-athlete may receive a loan on a deferred pay-back basis without jeopardizing his or her eligibility, provided: *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

- (a) The loan arrangements are not contrary to the extra-benefit rule; and
- (b) The student-athlete's athletics reputation, skill or pay-back potential as a future professional athlete is not considered by the lending agency in its decision to provide the loan.

16.12.1.3 Loan from Established Family Friend. A student-athlete may receive a loan from an established family friend without such arrangement constituting an extra benefit, provided: *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

- (a) The loan is not offered to the student-athlete based in any degree on his or her athletics ability or reputation;
- (b) The individual providing the loan is not considered a representative of the institution's athletics interests; and
- (c) The relationship between the individual providing the loan and the student-athlete existed before the initiation of the student-athlete's recruitment by the member institution.

16.12.1.4 Disabling-Injury Insurance. A student-athlete may borrow against his or her future earnings potential from an established, accredited commercial lending institution, exclusively for the purpose of purchasing insurance (with no cash surrender value) against a disabling injury that would prevent the individual from pursuing his or her chosen career, provided a third party (including a member institution's athletics department staff members or representatives of its athletics interests) is not involved in arrangements for securing the loan. The student-athlete shall report any such transactions to the member institution and shall file copies of any loan documents associated with disability insurance and insurance policy with the member institution, regardless of the source of the collateral for the loan. The student-athlete also shall file copies of the insurance policy with the member institution, regardless of whether a loan is secured to purchase the insurance policy. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

16.12.1.5 Promotional Activity Prize. A student-athlete from a member institution, selected through a random drawing open to the general public or the student body, may receive a prize as part of a promotional activity conducted by a member institution or held on a member institution's campus.

16.12.1.5.1 Use of Athletics Ability. Use of athletics ability (e.g., making a half-court basketball shot) to win such a prize in the promotional contest or activity does not affect a student-athlete's eligibility. *(Revised: 1/10/95, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

16.12.1.6 Occasional Meals. A student-athlete or the entire team in a sport may receive an occasional family home meal from an institutional staff member or representative of athletics interests under the following conditions: *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

- (a) The meal must be provided in an individual's home (as opposed to a restaurant) and may be catered; *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*
- (b) Meals must be restricted to infrequent and special occasions; and *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*
- (c) Institutional staff members may provide transportation to student-athletes to attend such meals.

A representative of the institution's athletics interests may not provide transportation to student-athletes to attend the meal function, unless the meal function is at the home of that representative. (*Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/10/95*)

16.12.1.7 Local Transportation. Staff members may provide reasonable local transportation to student-athletes on an occasional basis. (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

16.12.1.8 Retention of Athletics Apparel and Equipment. A student-athlete may retain athletics apparel items (not equipment) at the end of the individual's collegiate participation. Used equipment may be purchased by the student-athlete on the same cost basis as by any other individual interested in purchasing such equipment.

16.12.1.9 Summer Use of Athletics Equipment. A student-athlete may retain and use institutional athletics equipment (per the institution's normal equipment policy) during a summer-vacation period.

16.12.1.10 NCAA Research Studies. A student-athlete may receive compensation from the Association for participating in specified NCAA research studies. Such compensation shall be consistent with the going rate for compensation offered in studies involving nonathlete populations. (*Adopted: 1/10/00*)

16.12.2 Nonpermissible

16.12.2.1 General Rule. The student-athlete shall not receive any extra benefit. The term "extra benefit" refers to any special arrangement by an institutional employee or representative of the institution's athletics interests to provide the student-athlete or his or her relatives or friends with a benefit not expressly authorized by NCAA legislation.

16.12.2.2 Discounts and Credits. A student-athlete may not receive a special discount, payment arrangement or credit on a purchase (e.g., airline ticket, clothing) or a service (e.g., laundry, dry cleaning) from an institutional employee or a representative of its athletics interests.

16.12.2.2.1 Free or Reduced-Cost Services. An athletics representative may not provide a student-athlete with professional services (for which a fee normally would be charged) without charge or at a reduced cost except as permitted elsewhere in this bylaw. Professional services provided at less than the normal rate or at no expense to a student-athlete are considered an extra benefit, unless they are available on the same basis to the general student body.

16.12.2.2.2 Telephones and Credit Cards. It is not permissible to allow a student-athlete to use a telephone or credit card for personal reasons without charge or at a reduced cost.

16.12.2.2.3 Entertainment Services. A student-athlete may not receive services (e.g., movie tickets, dinners, use of car) from commercial agencies (e.g., movie theaters, restaurants, car dealers) without charge or at reduced rates, or free or reduced-cost admission to professional athletics contests from professional sports organizations, unless such services also are available to the student body in general.

16.12.2.3 Other Prohibited Benefits. An institutional employee or representative of the institution's athletics interests may not provide a student-athlete with extra benefits or services, including, but not limited to:

- (a) A loan of money;
- (b) A guarantee of bond;
- (c) The use of an automobile; or
- (d) Signing or cosigning a note with an outside agency to arrange a loan.

16.12.2.4 Preferential Treatment. A student-athlete may not receive preferential treatment, benefits or services for his or her athletics reputation or skill or pay-back potential as a future professional athlete (see Bylaw 16.12.1.4 for disabling-injury insurance exception). (*Revised: 1/11/94*)

16.12.2.5 Camp Concession. It is not permissible for a member institution or a member of its athletics department staff conducting a sports camp to permit a student-athlete (enrolled in the institution) to operate, at the student-athlete's own expense, a concession selling items related to or associated with the camp to campers or others in attendance (see also Bylaw 13.13.1.5.3.2).

16.12.2.6 Athletics Equipment. A student-athlete may not accept athletics equipment, supplies or clothing (e.g., tennis racquets, golf clubs, hockey sticks, balls, shirts) from a manufacturer or commercial enterprise. Such items may be provided to the student-athlete's institution, to be used by the institution's team in accordance with accepted practices for issuance and retrieval of athletics equipment.

16.12.2.7 Sponsor Families. A member institution shall not permit individuals outside the institution to serve as "sponsors" or "families" for student-athletes who are enrolled in the institution, unless

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such a sponsorship program exists to provide the same benefits and support services to all students at the institution.

16.12.2.8 Civic-Group Gifts. A member institution shall not permit a civic group to provide a student-athlete a trip to a postseason football game or to pay summer-camp expenses for a student-athlete.

16.12.2.9 Assistance in Payment of Bills. A member institution is not permitted to administer a fund for a student-athlete (even if funds are provided by the student-athlete) in order to assist the student-athlete in making payments for various personal expenses (e.g., utility bills, rent, fees and entertainment expenses), unless the institution provides such a service to all students and formal accounting procedures are used. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

16.12.2.10 Eligibility Ramifications—Restitution for Receipt of Improper Benefits. For violations of Bylaw 16.12.2 in which the value of the benefit is \$25 or less, the eligibility of the student-athlete shall not be affected conditioned on the student-athlete repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The student-athlete, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the impermissible benefit until the student-athlete repays the benefit. Violations of this bylaw remain institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the student-athlete's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff. *(Adopted: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99)*

16.13 EXPENSE WAIVERS

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16.13.1 Incidental to Participation. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, or a committee designated by the Management Council, may approve a member institution's request to provide additional expenses, which may include reasonable local transportation incidental to a student-athlete's participation in intercollegiate athletics, when the information presented persuades the Management Council that such a waiver is warranted, because it may be applied on the basis of defined, objective standards; does not create an unfair competitive advantage for the involved institution; would not compromise the intent of the governing legislation; and the request for the waiver is made in a timely manner. *(Adopted: 1/10/90, Revised: 1/10/95)*

16.13.1.1 Previously Approved Incidental Expenses. Specific incidental expenses that previously have been approved on a routine basis by the Management Council, or a committee designated by the Management Council, may be processed by an institution or conference. Documentation of each approval shall be kept on file at the conference office. *(Adopted: 1/10/00)*

FIGURE 16-1
Awards Summary

TYPE OF AWARD	REFERENCE	MAXIMUM VALUE OF AWARD ¹	NUMBER OF TIMES AWARD(S) MAY BE RECEIVED	PERMISSIBLE AWARING AGENCIES	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PERMISSIBLE AWARING AGENCIES
ANNUAL PARTICIPATION (e.g., letter awards)	16.1.4.1	\$150, except \$300 for seniors	Once per year per sport	Institution	1
SPECIAL ATTAINMENTS OR CONTRIBUTIONS TO TEAM'S SEASON (e.g., scholar-athlete, most improved player, most minutes played, most valuable player)	16.1.4.1 16.1.4.1.3 16.1.4.1.4	\$150	Once per category per sport	Institution	1
SPECIAL EVENTS (e.g., featured individual competition, national recognition awards, all-star selection)	16.1.4.2	\$300 ²	Once per event	Institution, management of event	2
TROPHY FOR ESTABLISHED NATIONAL AWARD	16.1.4.2.1.1	No limit	Once per year	Management of awards program	1
BOWL GAMES/ALL-STAR GAMES	16.1.4.2.4	\$300	Once per event	Institution, management of event	2
NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS PARTICIPATION	16.1.4.2.2	No limit	No limit	NCAA	1
		\$300	Once per championship	Institution	1
MOST VALUABLE PLAYER—Special Events, All-Star Games and Bowls ³	16.1.4.2.3	\$300	Once per event	Institution, conference and organizations recognized by institution or conference	Unlimited
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	16.1.4.3	\$300	Once per championship	Institution and conference (or organization recognized by institution or conference to act in its place)	2
CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP	16.1.4.4	\$300	Once per championship	Institution and conference (or organization recognized by institution or conference to act in its place)	2
SPECIALIZED PERFORMANCE IN SINGLE CONTEST OR LIMITED TIME PERIOD	16.1.4.5	\$75 (plaque, certificate or medal only)	Once per contest or time period	Conference, business firm or other outside agency (other than institution or management of event)	Unlimited
HOMETOWN AWARD	16.1.4.6	\$75	No limit	Hometown group other than booster club of institution	Unlimited
AWARD AT SUMMER EVENTS (athletes not representing institution)	16.1.1.3	AS REGULATED BY AMATEUR SPORT ORGANIZATION ASSOCIATED WITH THE EVENT, EXCEPT NO CASH AT ANY TIME			
AWARD RECEIVED BEFORE ENROLLMENT	16.1.1.1	AS REGULATED BY AMATEUR SPORT ORGANIZATION ASSOCIATED WITH THE EVENT, EXCEPT NO CASH AT ANY TIME			

¹ This represents the value of all awards in a category that may be presented on any single occasion by each permissible awarding agency.

² The combined value of any and all awards received for a special event from the institution and the management of the event may not exceed \$300.

³ A most-valuable-player-award recipient must be selected by a recognized organization approved by a member institution or conference.

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17.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

17.01.1 Institutional Limitations. A member institution shall limit its organized practice activities, the length of its playing seasons and the number of its regular-season contests and/or dates of competition in all sports, as well as the extent of its participation in noncollegiate-sponsored athletics activities, to minimize interference with the academic programs of its student-athletes (see Figures 17-1, 17-2, 17-3).

17.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

17.02.1 Athletically Related Activities

17.02.1.1 Countable Athletically Related Activities. The following are considered countable athletically related activities and must be counted in the weekly or daily time limitations specified under Bylaw 17.1.5.1: (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

- (a) Practice, which is defined as any meeting, activity or instruction involving sports-related information and having an athletics purpose, held for one or more student-athletes at the direction of, or supervised by, any member or members of an institution's coaching staff. Practice is considered to have occurred, if one or more coaches and one or more student-athletes engage in any of the following activities:
 - (1) Field, floor or on-court activity;
 - (2) Setting up offensive or defensive alignment;
 - (3) Chalk talk;
 - (4) Lecture on or discussion of strategy related to the sport;
 - (5) Activities using equipment related to the sport;
 - (6) Discussions or review of game films, motion pictures or videotapes related to the sport, except for the observation of an officiating clinic related to playing rules that is conducted by video conference and does not require student-athletes to miss any class time to observe the clinic; or
 - (7) Activities conducted under the guise of physical education class work (e.g., any class composed of or including primarily members of an intercollegiate team on a required attendance basis or where the class uses equipment for the sport).

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- (b) Competition;
- (c) Required weight-training and conditioning activities held at the direction of or supervised by an institutional staff member;
- (d) Participation in a physical-fitness class (including a summer class) conducted by a member of the athletics staff, unless such a class is a regular physical education class listed in the institution's catalog and open to all students. Such a class may not include practice activities conducted under the guise of physical education class work; (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)
- (e) In sports other than football, participation outside the institution's declared playing season in individual skill-related instructional activities with a member of the coaching staff and that occur at the request of the student-athlete (see Bylaw 17.1.6.2.1); (*Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- (f) In individual sports, participation outside the institution's declared playing season in individual skill-related instructional activities with a member of the coaching staff, except for individual-workout sessions during the summer that occur at the request of the student-athlete; (*Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/11/94*)
- (g) Required participation of student-athletes in permissible tryouts involving prospective student-athletes per Bylaw 13.12.2.1 or full-time students per Bylaw 17.02.12. If participation occurs outside the institution's declared playing season, it shall be counted as part of the conditioning activities specified in (c) above; (*Adopted: 1/11/94, Revised: 1/13/98 effective 8/1/98*)
- (h) Required participation in camps, clinics or workshops;
- (i) Individual workouts required or supervised by a member of the coaching staff, except for those sports subject to the safety exception. A coach may design a voluntary general individual workout program for a student-athlete (as opposed to a specific workout program for specific days) but cannot conduct the individual's workout; (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)
- (j) On-court or on-field activities called by any member or members of a team and confined primarily to members of that team that are considered as a requisite for participation in that sport (e.g., captain's practices);
- (k) Visiting the competition site in the sports of cross country, golf and skiing; (*Adopted: 1/16/93*)
- (l) Use of an institution's athletics facilities when such activities are supervised by or held at the direction of any member of an institution's coaching staff. Facilities may be reserved for such use during the academic year. It is not permissible to reserve facilities during the summer to participate in permissible individual workouts in individual sports at the request of the student-athlete(s). In the event the use of an institution's facilities is requested by a team composed partly of enrolled student-athletes and partly of individuals not otherwise affiliated with the institution, use of the facilities shall be consistent with the policies established for outside groups generally; and (*Revised: 1/10/92, 1/16/93*)
- (m) Involvement of an institution's strength and conditioning staff with enrolled student-athletes in required conditioning programs. Strength and conditioning personnel may monitor voluntary individual workouts for safety purposes. If the strength and conditioning coach also is a countable coach, such assistance may be provided only if that strength and conditioning staff member performs such duties on a department-wide basis. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.02.2 Contest. A contest is any game, match, exhibition, scrimmage or joint practice session with another institution's team, regardless of its formality, in which competition in a sport occurs between an intercollegiate athletics team or individual representing a member institution and any other team or individual not representing the intercollegiate athletics program of the same member institution. (*Revised: 1/10/91*)

17.02.3 Contest, Countable, Institutional. A countable contest for a member institution, in those sports for which the limitations are based on the number of contests, is any contest by the member institution against an outside team in that sport, unless a specific exemption for a particular contest is set forth in this bylaw. Contests, including scrimmages, by separate squads of the same team against different outside teams shall each count as one contest.

17.02.4 Contest, Countable, Individual Student-Athlete. A countable contest for an individual student-athlete in a sport is any contest in which the student-athlete competes while representing the member institution (see Bylaw 17.02.8) individually or as a member of the varsity, subvarsity or freshman team of the institution in that sport, unless a specific exemption for a particular contest is set forth in this bylaw.

17.02.5 Date of Competition. A date of competition is a single date on which any game(s), match(es), meet(s), exhibition(s), scrimmage(s) or joint practice session(s) with another institution's team takes place, regardless of its formality, between an intercollegiate athletics team or individual representing a member

institution and any other team or individual not representing the intercollegiate athletics program of the same member institution. (*Revised: 1/10/91*)

17.02.6 Date of Competition, Countable, Institutional. A countable date of competition for a member institution, in those sports for which the limitations are based on the number of dates of competition, is a single date on which the institution's team in a sport engages in competition in that sport against an outside team, unless a specific exemption for a particular date of competition is set forth in this bylaw.

17.02.6.1 Required Minimum Number of Student-Athletes. For individual sports, a member institution shall be considered to have participated in competition that constitutes a date of competition, if the minimum number of student-athletes participating on one or more teams, at one or more sites, on behalf of the institution on that date equals or exceeds the minimum number established for that sport, unless otherwise restricted in this bylaw for a particular sport (e.g., golf, tennis). (See Bylaws 20.9.3.3, 20.10.3.5 and 20.11.3.2 for listings of minimum numbers of student-athletes per sport in each division.)

17.02.7 Date of Competition, Countable, Individual Student-Athlete. A countable date of competition for an individual student-athlete is any date on which a student-athlete competes while representing the institution (see Bylaw 17.02.8) individually or as a member of the varsity, subvarsity or freshman team, unless a specific exemption for a particular date of competition is set forth in this bylaw.

17.02.8 Intercollegiate Competition. Intercollegiate competition is considered to have occurred when a student-athlete in either a two-year or a four-year collegiate institution does any of the following: (*Revised: 1/10/95*)

- (a) Represents the institution in any contest against outside competition, regardless of how the competition is classified (e.g., scrimmage, exhibition or joint practice session with another institution's team) or whether the student is enrolled in a minimum full-time program of studies; (*Revised: 1/10/91*)
- (b) Competes in the uniform of the institution, or, during the academic year, uses any apparel (excluding apparel no longer used by the institution) or equipment received from the institution that includes institutional identification (see Bylaw 16.12.1.9 for regulations governing the use of equipment during the summer); or (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/11/94*)
- (c) Competes and receives expenses (e.g., transportation, meals, room or entry fees) from the institution for the competition.

17.02.8.1 Exempted Events. Participation in events listed in Bylaw 16.8.1.3 is exempted from the application of this legislation. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.02.9 Outside Competition. Outside competition is athletics competition against any other athletics team (including an alumni team) that does not represent the intercollegiate athletics program of the same institution.

17.02.10 Outside Team. An outside team is any team that does not represent the intercollegiate athletics program of the member institution or a team that includes individuals other than eligible student-athletes of the member institution (e.g., members of the coaching staff, ineligible student-athletes, members of the faculty).

17.02.11 Practice Opportunities. In determining the number of practice opportunities to establish the starting date for preseason practice, there shall be counted one for each day beginning with the opening of classes, one for each day classes are not in session in the week of the first scheduled intercollegiate contest and two for each other day in the preseason practice period, except that the institution shall not count any days during the preseason when all institutional dormitories are closed, the institution's team must leave campus, and practice is not conducted. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.02.11.1 Sunday. Sundays are excluded from the counting. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.02.11.2 Week. The "week" of the first scheduled intercollegiate contest is defined as the six days, excluding Sunday, before the date of competition (even if one or more of the days fall into different traditional calendar weeks). (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.02.11.3 Opening Day of Classes. The "opening day of classes" is defined as the first day of classes as listed in the member institution's official catalog. Required freshman orientation is not considered to be the opening day of classes for the academic year. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.02.12 Tryouts—Enrolled Student. A member institution may conduct a tryout of a full-time student currently enrolled at the institution only on its campus or at a site at which the institution normally conducts practice or competition during the regular academic year. If such a tryout occurs before the beginning of the playing and practice season, the following conditions apply: (*Adopted: 1/13/98 effective 8/1/98*)

- (a) No more than one tryout per student shall be permitted during any academic year;

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- (b) The student must not have been recruited (see Bylaw 13.02.9.1);
- (c) The student must be in good academic standing;
- (d) A medical examination of a student conducted by an institution's regular team physician or other designated physician shall be permitted as a part of the tryout;
- (e) The time of the tryout activities (other than the physical examination) shall be limited to the length of the institution's normal practice period in the sport but in no event shall it be longer than two hours;
- (f) The institution may provide equipment and clothing on an issuance-and-retrieval basis to a student during the period of the tryout; and
- (g) No more than three dates may be used to conduct tryouts in each sport.

17.02.13 Varsity Intercollegiate Sport. A varsity intercollegiate sport is a sport that has been accorded that status by the institution's chief executive officer or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics policy and that satisfies the following conditions:

- (a) It is a sport that is administered by the department of intercollegiate athletics;
- (b) It is a sport for which the eligibility of the student-athletes is reviewed and certified by a staff member designated by the institution's chief executive officer or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics policy; and
- (c) It is a sport in which qualified participants receive the institution's official varsity awards.

17.02.13.1 Team Sports. The following are classified as team sports for purposes of this bylaw:

Baseball	Soccer
Basketball	Softball
Field Hockey	Synchronized Swimming, Women's
Football	Team Handball, Women's
Ice Hockey, Men's and Women's	Volleyball
Lacrosse	Water Polo, Men's and Women's
Rowing, Women's	

17.02.13.2 Individual Sports. The following are classified as individual sports for purposes of this bylaw:

Archery, Women's	Rifle
Badminton, Women's	Skiing
Bowling, Women's	Squash, Women's
Cross Country	Swimming
Equestrian, Women's	Tennis
Fencing	Track and Field, Indoor and Outdoor
Golf	Wrestling
Gymnastics	

17.1 GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS

17.1.1 Playing Season. The playing (i.e., practice and competition) season for a particular sport is the period of time between the date of an institution's first officially recognized practice session and the date of the institution's last practice session or date of competition, whichever occurs later. An institution is permitted to conduct officially recognized practice and competition each academic year only during the playing season as regulated for each sport in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw. The institution must conduct the same playing season for varsity and subvarsity teams in the same sport. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.1.1.1 Playing Season—Athletically Related Activities. The playing (i.e., practice and competition) season for a particular sport is the only time within which a member institution is permitted to conduct countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1) except as set forth in Bylaw 17.1.5.2. *(Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.1.2 Segments of Playing Season. For all sports other than football and basketball, each member institution may divide the playing season into not more than two distinct segments. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.1.3 Declaration of Playing Season. Each member institution shall determine the playing season for each of the sports referenced under Bylaw 17.02.13. Declaration of the institution's playing season in each such sport shall be on file in writing in the department of athletics before the beginning of the institution's playing season for that sport. Changes in the declaration for a particular sport are permissible and also shall be filed in writing in the office of the institution's athletics director. *(Revised: 1/11/89)*

17.1.4 Sports Subject to Segment Limitations. Playing-season-segment limitations are applicable to all team sports that are listed in Bylaw 17.02.13.1 and all individual sports listed under Bylaw 17.02.13.2.

In those sports for which the National Collegiate Championship is the only NCAA championships opportunity (i.e., women's rowing, men's and women's fencing, men's and women's gymnastics, men's and women's rifle, men's and women's skiing, men's volleyball, men's water polo, women's ice hockey, women's water polo). (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93*)

17.1.5 Time Limits for Athletically Related Activities. In all sports, the following time limitations shall apply: (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.1.5.1 Daily and Weekly Hour Limitations—Playing Season. A student-athlete's participation in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1) shall be limited to a maximum of four hours per day and 20 hours per week. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.1.5.1.1 Multisport Participant Exception. For a multisport participant, the daily and weekly hour limitations apply separately to each sport in which the student-athlete is a participant. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

17.1.5.1.2 Golf Practice-Round Exception. A practice round of golf may exceed the four-hours-per-day limitation, but the weekly limit of 20 hours shall remain in effect. A practice round played on the day before the start of a collegiate golf tournament at the tournament site shall count as three hours, regardless of the actual duration of the round. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.1.5.2 Weekly Hour Limitations—Outside of Playing Season. Outside of the playing season during the academic year, only a student-athlete's participation in the countable athletically related activities specified in Bylaws 17.02.1.1-(c), 17.02.1.1-(d) and 17.02.1.1-(e) shall be permitted. A student-athlete's participation in such activities shall be limited to a maximum of eight hours per week, of which not more than two hours per week may be spent on individual skill workouts set forth in Bylaws 17.02.1.1-(e) and 17.1.5.2.1. A student-athlete may not participate in any countable athletically related activities outside the playing season during any institutional vacation period (e.g., summer, academic year). (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.1.5.2.1 Skill Instruction. Participation by student-athletes in individual skill-related instruction [including the activities set forth in Bylaw 17.02.1.1-(f)] in sports other than football is permitted outside the institution's declared playing season, provided no more than three student-athletes from the same team are involved in skill-related instruction with their coach(es) at any one time in any facility and the student-athletes request the instruction. (*Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/9/96, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.1.5.2.2 Conditioning Activities. Conditioning drills per Bylaw 17.1.5.2 that may simulate game activities are permissible, provided no offensive or defensive alignments are set up and no equipment related to the sport is used. In the sport of ice hockey, a student-athlete may be involved in on-ice conditioning activities, provided no equipment other than skates is used. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

17.1.5.3 Computation and Recording of Hour Limitations

17.1.5.3.1 Definition of Day. A "day" shall be defined as a calendar day (i.e., 12:01 a.m. to midnight). (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.1.5.3.2 Competition Day. All competition and any associated athletically related activities on the day of competition shall count as three hours regardless of the actual duration of these activities.

17.1.5.3.2.1 Practice Prohibited after Competition. Practice may not be conducted at any time (including vacation periods) after competition, except between contests, rounds or events during a multiday or multievent competition (e.g., double-headers in softball or baseball, rounds of golf in a multiday tournament). (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.1.5.3.3 Definition of Week. A "week" shall be defined as any seven consecutive days to be determined at the institution's discretion. Once the institution determines the seven-day period that shall constitute its week, it shall not change that designation for the remainder of the segment. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

17.1.5.3.4 Hour-Limitation Record. Countable hours must be recorded on a daily basis for each student-athlete regardless of whether the student-athlete is participating in an individual or team sport. Any countable individual or group athletically related activity must count against the time limitation for each student-athlete who participates in the activity but does not count against time limitations for other team members who do not participate in the activity. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.1.5.3.5 Preseason Practice. Daily and weekly hour limitations do not apply to countable ath-

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letically related activities occurring during preseason practice before the first day of classes or the first scheduled contest, whichever is earlier. *(Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.1.5.3.6 Vacation Periods and between Terms. Daily and weekly hour limitations do not apply to countable athletically related activities occurring during an institution's official vacation period, as listed in the institution's official calendar, and during the academic year between terms when classes are not in session. If such vacation periods occur during any part of a week in which classes are in session, the institution is subject to the daily and weekly hour limitations during the portion of the week when classes are in session and must provide the student-athletes with a day off (see Bylaw 17.1.5.4), which may be a vacation day. *(Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.1.5.3.7 Final-Examination Periods. Daily and weekly hour limitations apply to countable athletically related activities during final-examination periods and to all official preparatory periods leading to final-examination periods. *(Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.1.5.4 Required Day Off—Playing Season. During the playing season, all countable athletically related activities (per Bylaw 17.02.1.1) shall be prohibited during one calendar day per week, except during participation in one conference and postseason championship and any postseason certified bowl games or National Invitation Tournaments, and during participation in NCAA championships. *(Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/10/95, 1/9/96)*

17.1.5.4.1 Travel Day. A travel day related to athletics participation may be considered as a day off, provided no countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1) occur during that day. *(Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.1.5.4.2 Canceled Competition. When an institution's competition is canceled before the start of competition or canceled before the competition being considered a completed event in accordance with the playing rules of that sport, an institution may use that day as its required day off, provided the institution does not engage in any further countable athletically related activities during that day. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

17.1.5.4.3 Preseason Practice. An institution is not required to provide student-athletes with one day off per week during preseason practice that occurs before the first day of classes or the first scheduled contest, whichever is earlier. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

17.1.5.4.4 Vacation Period. It is permissible to use a vacation day to satisfy the day-off-per-week requirement. *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*

17.1.5.4.5 Non-NCAA Postseason Championship. The one-day-off-per-week requirement is applicable to a non-NCAA postseason championship (e.g., national governing body championship), unless the event is open only to collegiate teams or collegiate competitors. *(Adopted: 1/9/96)*

17.1.5.4.6 Multiple Conference Championships. An institution that participates in multiple conference championships is not subject to the one-day-off-per-week requirement in the one conference championship that it exempts from its maximum contest limitations. *(Adopted: 1/9/96)*

17.1.5.5 Additional Restrictions

17.1.5.5.1 No Class Time Missed for Practice Activities. No class time shall be missed for practice activities except when a team is traveling to an away-from-home contest and the practice is in conjunction with the contest. *(Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.1.5.5.2 Preseason Off-Campus Intr Squad Games Prohibition. Preseason off-campus intrasquad games in all sports shall be prohibited. *(Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.1.6 General Regulations for Computing Playing Seasons Applicable to All Sports *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

- (a) **Makeup Contests.** An institution is not permitted to extend the playing season to make up suspended or canceled games (including games that determine a conference champion or the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championship); *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*
- (b) **NCAA or NAIA Championships Participation in Team Sports.** Neither practice for nor participation in any NCAA or NAIA championship event (including play-in contests conducted before NCAA championships) is considered part of the institution's declared playing season. A member institution that has reason to believe it is under consideration for selection to participate in an NCAA championship event may continue to practice (but may not compete against outside competition) beyond its last regular-season contest, including the conference championship (if any), without counting such practice against the institution's declared playing-season limitation, until it is determined by the appropriate committee whether the institution will be selected to participate in the NCAA championship competition. An institution that is not selected to participate in the NCAA championship may continue to practice or compete until the end of that championship only if it has time remaining in its declared playing season;

- (c) **NCAA Championships Participation in Individual Sports.** Only appropriate squad members considered necessary for effective practice by the individual(s) preparing for the NCAA championships may continue to practice without counting such practice against the institution's declared playing-season limitation;
- (d) **Post-NCAA Championships Participation.** Following the conclusion of an NCAA (or NAIA) championship in a sport, an institution may resume practice and/or competition in the sport, provided it is continuing its permissible playing season in the sport and provided the activity occurs during the academic year;
- (e) **Conference Championships.** Conference championships must be included within the institution's playing season;
- (f) **Non-NCAA Postseason Championships Participation.** Practice and/or competition in non-NCAA (or non-NAIA) postseason championships (e.g., an invitational tournament scheduled after a conference championship) must be counted against the institution's declared playing-season limitation; except that practice and competition for one postseason championship in each non-NCAA championship sport used for sports sponsorship purposes in accordance with Bylaw 20.10.3.4.1. Competition in the American Women's College Hockey Alliance National Championship tournament is exempt from the institution's declared playing-season limitation; and (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/11/94, 1/12/99*)
- (g) **Foreign Tours.** Participation by a member institution on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30) need not be included within the institution's declared playing-season limitation in the sport.

17.1.7 Contest and Segment Limitations

17.1.7.1 Combining Segments. In those sports that have different contest limitations in the segment concluding with the NCAA championship and the other segment, a member institution that conducts a single continuous segment in a sport (rather than dividing its playing season for that sport into two distinct segments as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.2) shall be limited to the number of contests or dates of competition permitted only for the segment that concludes with the NCAA championship. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.1.8 Use of Tobacco Products. The use of tobacco products by a student-athlete is prohibited during practice and competition. A student-athlete who uses tobacco products during a practice or competition shall be disqualified for the remainder of that practice or competition. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94*)

17.2 ARCHERY, WOMEN'S

Regulations for computing the archery playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.) (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.2.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in archery shall be limited to a 144-day season which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.2.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in archery before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.2.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in archery before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.2.4 End of Regular Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in each segment in archery by the conclusion of the national governing body championship in archery. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.2.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.2.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in archery during the institution's archery playing season to 15 dates of competition (games and scrimmages), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.2.5.3 and 17.2.5.4.

17.2.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in archery in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.2.5.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in

FIGURE 17-1
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Maximum Numbers of Contests and Dates of Competition for Each Sport

Sport	Contests	Dates of Competition
Archery, Women's		15
Badminton, Women's		15
Baseball	56	
Basketball	27	
Bowling, Women's		26
Cross Country*		7
Fencing		11
Field Hockey Championship Segment Other Segment	20	5
Football	11	
Golf		24
Gymnastics		13
Ice Hockey, Men's	32	
Ice Hockey, Women's	34	
Lacrosse, Men's		17
Lacrosse, Women's Championship Segment Other Segment		17 5
Rifle		13
Rowing, Women's		20
Skiing		16
Soccer Championship Segment Other Segment	20	5
Softball	56	
Squash, Women's		15
Swimming		16
Synchronized Swimming, Women's		15
Team Handball, Women's		20
Tennis Overall Individual Singles and/or Doubles Tournaments		25 7
Track and Field (Indoor and Outdoor)**		18
Volleyball, Men's Championship Segment Other Segment		28 4
Volleyball, Women's Championship Segment Other Segment		28 4
Water Polo, Men's		21
Water Polo, Women's		21
Wrestling		16

* See Bylaw 17.7.5.1.1 for institutions that sponsor men's or women's cross country but do not sponsor indoor or outdoor track and field.

** See Bylaw 17.25.5.1 for institutions that sponsor indoor and outdoor track and field and participate in at least the minimum number of contests with at least the minimum number of participants.

FIGURE 17-2
2000-01 Academic Year Playing and Practice Seasons

Sport	First Practice Date	First Contest Date or Date of Competition	End of Regular Playing Season
Archery, Women's	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	Conclusion of the national governing body championship
Badminton, Women's	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	Conclusion of the national governing body championship
Basketball	Preseason conditioning: Beginning of institution's academic year On-Court: October 15	136 days before the Division I men's basketball championship game (see Bylaw 17.5.3) (Exceptions: see Bylaw 17.5.3.1)	NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship game
Bowling, Women's	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	Conclusion of the national governing body championship
Cross Country	Date that permits 21 "practice opportunities" before first date of competition	September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday ¹	Last day of exams for regular academic year
Field Hockey	Date that permits 21 "practice opportunities" before first date of competition	Sept. 1 or the preceding Friday if Sept. 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, except that an alumni contest may be played the weekend before Sept. 1 when Sept. 1 does not fall on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday ¹	Last day of exams for regular academic year
Football	Date that permits 29 "practice opportunities" before first game	Not before the Thursday preceding Labor Day. (Exceptions: see Bylaw 17.10.3)	Second Saturday or Sunday in December (Exception: see Bylaw 17.10.4)
Golf	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	NCAA Division II championship
Ice Hockey, Men's and Women's	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	Last day of exams for regular academic year
Soccer	Date that permits 21 "practice opportunities" before first contest	September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, except that an alumni contest may be played the weekend before September 1 when September 1 does not fall on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday ¹	Last day of exams for regular academic year
Squash, Women's	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	Last day of exams for regular academic year
Synchronized Swimming Women's	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	Last day of exams for regular academic year
Team Handball, Women's	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	Conclusion of the national governing body championship
Volleyball, Women's (Championship Segment)	Date that permits 29 "practice opportunities" before first date of competition	September 1, or preceding Friday if September 1 falls on Saturday, Sunday or Monday, except that an alumni match may be played the weekend before September 1 when September 1 does not fall on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday ¹	NCAA Division II Women's Volleyball Championship game
(Other Segment)	January 1	January 1	Last day of exams for regular academic year
Water Polo, Men's	Date that permits 21 "practice opportunities" before first date of competition	The first Saturday in September	Last day of exams for regular academic year
Water Polo, Women's	September 7 or first day of classes, whichever occurs first	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	Conclusion of National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship or National Women's Collegiate Water Polo Championship
Other Team Sports Baseball Lacrosse Rowing, Women's Softball Volleyball, Men's	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	NCAA Division II or national collegiate championship game in sport, whichever is applicable
Other Individual Sports Fencing Gymnastics Rifle Skiing Swimming Tennis ² Track and Field Wrestling	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	September 7 or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first	NCAA Division II or national collegiate championship, whichever is applicable in gymnastics, tennis and track and field Last day of exams for regular academic year in fencing, rifle, skiing, swimming and wrestling

¹ It is permissible for an institution to engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition on August 25 during the years 1998-2000 and August 24 in the year 2001.

² An institution that is a member of a conference that conducts its only conference championship during the fall may commence practice August 24 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. Such institutions may conduct the first contest or practice match with outside competition September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday or Sunday.

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each academic year in 15 dates of competition (this limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution).

17.2.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in archery shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-3):

- (a) **United States Intercollegiate Championships.** Competition in the U.S. Intercollegiate Archery Championships.
- (b) **United States Indoor Championships.** Competition in the U.S. Indoor Archery Championships.
- (c) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship meet in archery.
- (d) **National Governing Body Championship.** Competition in the archery national governing body championship.
- (e) **Alumnae Meet.** One date of competition each year with an alumnae team of the institution;
- (f) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition each year with a foreign opponent in the United States.
- (g) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question;
- (h) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (i) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's team who participate in local celebrity activities in archery conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.2.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.30).

17.2.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season in accordance with Bylaw 17.2.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1.

17.2.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.

17.2.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility.

17.2.7 Safety Exception. A coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts in the institution's regular practice facility (without the workouts being considered as countable athletically related activities) when the student-athlete uses archery equipment. The coach may provide safety or skill instruction but cannot conduct the individual's workouts.

17.2.8 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in archery who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.

17.2.9 Other Restrictions

17.2.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.2.9.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in archery, if after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate squad or team, she competes or has competed as a member of an outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team

FIGURE 17-3
Exemptions: Archery Dates of Competition
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Annual Exemptions	U.S. Intercollegiate Archery Championships [17.2.5.3-(a)] U.S. Indoor Archery Championships [17.2.5.3-(b)] Conference Championship [17.2.5.3-(c)] National Governing Body Championship [17.2.5.3-(d)] Alumnae Meet [17.2.5.3-(e)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.2.5.3-(f)] Date(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.2.5.3-(g)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.2.5.3-(h)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.2.5.3-(i)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour (17.2.5.4)

invitational meet, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers).

17.2.9.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining who may practice or compete out of season on an outside amateur team.

17.2.9.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.2.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.2.9.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.3 BADMINTON, WOMEN'S

Regulations for computing the badminton playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.) (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.3.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in badminton shall be limited to a 144-day season which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.3.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in badminton before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.3.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in badminton before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.3.4 End of Regular Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in each segment in badminton by the conclusion of the national governing body championship in badminton. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.3.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.3.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in badminton during the institution's badminton playing season to 15 dates of competition (games and scrimmages) (including not more than three tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.3.5.3 and 17.3.5.4.

17.3.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in badminton in one or more foreign countries on one trip during

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the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.3.5.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in 15 dates of competition in badminton (including not more than three tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition) (this limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution).

17.3.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in badminton shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-4):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship meet in badminton;
- (b) **National Governing Body Championship.** Competition in the badminton national governing body championship;
- (c) **Alumnae Match.** One date of competition each year with an alumnae team of the institution;
- (d) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (e) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question;
- (f) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (g) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's team who participate in local celebrity activities in badminton conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.3.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.30).

17.3.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season in accordance with Bylaw 17.3.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1.

17.3.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.

17.3.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility.

17.3.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in badminton who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.

17.3.8 Other Restrictions

17.3.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.3.8.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in badminton if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate squad or team, she competes or has competed as a member of an outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meet, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers).

17.3.8.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same

FIGURE 17-4
Exemptions: Badminton Dates of Competition
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Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.3.5.3-(a)] National Governing Body Championship [17.3.5.3-(b)] Alumnae Match [17.3.5.3-(c)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.3.5.3-(d)] Date(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.3.5.3-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.3.5.3-(f)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.3.5.3-(g)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour (17.3.5.4)

member institution with eligibility remaining who may practice or compete out of season on an outside amateur team.

17.3.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.3.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.3.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.4 BASEBALL

Regulations for computing the baseball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.4.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in baseball shall be limited to a 132-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.4.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in baseball before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.4.3 First Contest Date. A member institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in baseball before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.4.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in the sport of baseball by the conclusion of the NCAA baseball championship. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.4.5 Number of Contests

17.4.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of baseball during the institution's baseball playing season to 56 contests (games and scrimmages), except for those contests excluded under Bylaw 17.4.5.3. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.4.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in baseball in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.4.5.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each

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academic year in 56 baseball contests (this limitation includes those contests in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution). *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.4.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of baseball contests shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-5):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship tournament in baseball (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA baseball championship);
- (b) **Conference Playoff.** Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference baseball championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA baseball championship without the game(s) being counted as a postseason tournament;
- (c) **Season-Ending Tournaments.** Competition in one season-ending baseball tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season; *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*
- (d) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before an NCAA championship;
- (e) **Alumni Game.** One baseball contest each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (f) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One baseball contest each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (g) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any baseball games played in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member institution located outside the area in question; *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*
- (h) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any baseball activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (i) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's baseball team who participate in local celebrity baseball activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.4.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Certification Not Required—Foreign Tour. The baseball games played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30). *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.4.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.4.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.4.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.4.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in baseball who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.4.8 Other Restrictions

17.4.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.4.8.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate baseball competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate baseball squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside baseball team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition

FIGURE 17-5
Exemptions: Baseball Contests
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.4.5.3-(a)] Conference Playoff [17.4.5.3-(b)] Season-Ending Tournaments [17.4.5.3-(c)-(3)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.4.5.3-(d)] Alumni Game [17.4.5.3-(e)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.4.5.3-(f)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.4.5.3-(h)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.4.5.3-(i)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Game(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.4.5.3-(g)-(2)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.4.5.6-(b)]
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

(e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate baseball season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). *(Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.4.8.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate baseball who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur baseball team. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.4.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with remaining eligibility from that institution's baseball team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5, 17.30 and 30.14.3.1. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/11/94)*

17.4.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.4.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing baseball equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.4.2. *(Revised: 1/11/89)*

17.4.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking squad pictures. *(Adopted: 1/11/89)*

17.5 BASKETBALL

(See Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.5.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in basketball shall be limited to the period of time between the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.5.2) and the end of the regular playing season (see Bylaw 17.5.4). (See Bylaw 17.5.3 for restrictions on first contest date.)

17.5.2 Preseason Practice

17.5.2.1 On-Court Practice. A member institution shall not commence on-court preseason basketball practice sessions before October 15. *(Revised: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/92, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.5.2.1.1 Permissible Conditioning Activities. Team conditioning or physical-fitness activities supervised by coaching staff members may be conducted on or off court but shall not begin before the beginning of the institution's academic year in accordance with Bylaw 17.1.6.2. Such activities shall be limited to eight hours per week. *(Revised: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/92, Revised: 1/16/93, 1/11/94)*

17.5.2.1.2 Prohibited Activities. Before the start of on-court preseason basketball practice per Bylaw 17.5.2.1, members of the institution's coaching staff may not be involved with one or more

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team members at any location in any of the following activities except, in Divisions I and II, as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.6.2.1: (*Revised: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/92, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

- (a) Setting up offensive or defensive alignments;
- (b) Chalk talks;
- (c) Discussions of game strategy;
- (d) Reviewing game films or videotapes;
- (e) Activities using basketball equipment; or
- (f) Observing student-athletes in any basketball activities even if such activities are not arranged by the institution's coach.

17.5.2.1.2.1 Exception. Team promotional activities (e.g., autograph sessions, fan picture sessions, meeting with fans) per Bylaw 12.5.1 are permissible before the start of on-court preseason basketball practice per Bylaw 17.5.2.1, provided these promotional arrangements do not involve any of the practice activities prohibited under the provisions of Bylaw 17.5.2.1.2. (*Revised: 1/11/94, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.5.2.1.2.2 Exception—Officiating Clinic. Before the start of on-court preseason basketball practice per Bylaw 17.5.2.1, student-athletes may observe an officiating clinic related to playing rules that is conducted by video conference, provided no student-athlete misses class time to observe the clinic. (*Adopted: 1/9/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.5.3 First Contest. A member institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in basketball before 136 days (including Sundays) before the Division I men's basketball championship game (i.e., November 19, 1999; November 17, 2000; November 16, 2001), except as provided under Bylaw 17.5.3.1. (*Revised: 1/4/96, 1/9/96*)

17.5.3.1 Exceptions. The following basketball contests (games or scrimmages) are permitted before the first contest dates specified under Bylaw 17.5.3:

- (a) **Practice Scrimmages.** A maximum of two informal practice scrimmages with outside competition in basketball (conducted in privacy without publicity or official scoring) may be conducted between November 1 and the conclusion of the basketball season, provided the institution does not use an exemption set forth in Bylaws 17.5.5.2-(d) or 17.5.5.2-(e). If an institution uses one exemption set forth in either Bylaws 17.5.5.2.3-(d) or 17.5.5.2-(e), it may not exempt more than one informal scrimmage; (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- (b) **Preseason Events.** The following basketball games may be played on or after November 1: (*Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/9/96, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
 - (1) The Basketball Hall of Fame Tip-Off Classic;
 - (2) Games in the Division II Tip-Off Classic; (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
 - (3) One game against a foreign team in Canada;
- (c) **USA Basketball and Foreign-Team Games.** The two basketball games exempted per Bylaws 17.5.5.2-(d) and 17.5.5.2-(e) may be played on or after November 1. (*Adopted: 1/10/95, Revised: 1/11/97*)

17.5.4 End of Playing Season. A member institution's last contest (game or scrimmage or postseason tournament contest) with outside competition in the sport of basketball shall not be played after the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship game.

17.5.5 Number of Contests

17.5.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total regular-season playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of basketball in any one year to 27 contests (games or scrimmages), except for those contests excluded under Bylaws 17.5.5.2 and 17.5.5.5. (*Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/91 effective 8/1/92*)

17.5.5.1.1 Conference Season-End Tournament. If a conference conducts a regularly scheduled, season-end, single-elimination basketball championship tournament (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA basketball tournament), which may include one additional contest to determine third place, among some or all of its members, the game or games played by each team shall count as one of the permissible regular-season contests as specified in Bylaw 17.5.5 and the tournament shall not be considered postseason.

17.5.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its

countable contests in basketball in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.5.5.1.3 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate each academic year in not more than 27 basketball contests. This limitation includes those contests in which the student-athlete represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution. Further, an individual student-athlete may participate each year in only one postseason basketball tournament as a member of the institution's varsity, junior varsity or freshman team. *(Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/91 effective 8/1/92)*

17.5.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The following basketball contests each year may be exempted from an institution's maximum number of contests:

- (a) **Postseason Tournament.** Contests in one postseason basketball tournament (e.g., NCAA championships, NAIA championship). A postseason tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season; *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*
- (b) **Conference Playoff.** Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference basketball championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA basketball championship without the game(s) being counted as a postseason tournament;
- (c) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before an NCAA championship;
- (d) **Foreign Team in U.S.** An exhibition contest against a foreign team in the United States played in the arena in which the member institution regularly plays its home contests. An institution may play two exhibition contests against a foreign team in the United States during any year in which it does not use an exemption set forth in Bylaws 17.5.5.2-(e), 17.5.5.2-(g) and 17.5.5.2-(h); *(Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/13/98 effective 8/1/98)*
- (e) **USA Basketball Club.** An exhibition contest against a "club" member of USA Basketball played in the arena in which the member institution regularly plays its home contests. An institution may play two exhibition contests against a "club" member of USA Basketball during any year in which it does not use an exemption set forth in Bylaws 17.5.5.2-(d), 17.5.5.2-(g) and 17.5.5.2-(h); *(Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92, Revised: 1/11/94, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/13/98 effective 8/1/98)*
- (f) **Division II Tip-Off Classic.** Games in the Division II Tip-Off Classic; *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*
- (g) **Practice Scrimmages.** A maximum of two informal practice scrimmages with outside competition in basketball may be conducted between November 1 and the conclusion of the basketball season, provided the institution does not use an exemption set forth in Bylaws 17.5.5.2-(d), 17.5.5.2-(e) or 17.5.5.2-(h). If an institution uses one exemption set forth in either Bylaws 17.5.5.2-(d), 17.5.5.2-(e) or 17.5.5.2-(h), it may not exempt more than one informal scrimmage; and *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
- (h) **NCAA Division I or III Member Institution(s).** A maximum of two exhibition contests against NCAA Division I or III member institutions, provided the institution does not use an exemption set forth in either Bylaws 17.5.5.2.3-(d), 17.5.5.2.3-(e) or 17.5.5.2.3-(g). If an institution uses one exemption set forth in either Bylaws 17.5.5.2-(d), 17.5.5.2-(e) or 17.5.5.2-(g), it may not exempt more than one exhibition contest against an NCAA Division I or III institution. *(Adopted: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99)*

17.5.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions

17.5.5.3.1 Alaska/Foreign Tour. Not more than once every four years, a member institution may exempt from counting toward the maximum number of basketball contests the games played on one trip to Alaska (not to exceed four contests) and on a foreign basketball tour conducted in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30), provided the foreign tour is not taken in the same academic year (or the summer immediately thereafter) in which the member institution uses any of the exemptions provided in Bylaws 17.5.5.5.1 and 17.5.5.5.2. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/92)*

17.5.5.3.2 Hawaii or Puerto Rico/Foreign Team in Canada. Not more than once every four years, a member institution may exempt not more than one of the following from counting toward the maximum number of basketball contests: *(Adopted: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/92)*

FIGURE 17-6
Exemptions: Basketball Contests
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Postseason Tournament [17.5.5.2.3-(a)] Conference Playoff [17.5.5.2.2-(b), 17.5.5.2.3-(b), 17.5.5.2.4-(b)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.5.5.2.3-(c)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Informal Scrimmage(s) ² <u>AND</u> Foreign Team in U.S. [17.5.5.2.3-(d)] ³ <u>AND</u> USA Basketball Club [17.5.5.2.3-(e)] ⁴ <u>AND</u> Tip-Off Classic [17.5.5.2.3-(f)] <u>AND</u> Division I or III Institution [17.5.5.2.3-(h)] ⁵
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions ¹	1) Hawaii/Puerto Rico [17.5.5.5.2-(a)] <u>OR</u> 2) Foreign Team in Canada [17.5.5.5.2-(b)] <u>AND</u> 3) Certified Foreign Tour ⁶ (17.5.5.5.1) <u>AND</u> 4) Alaska (17.5.5.5.1)
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

¹ An institution may not compete in more than one event listed in 1-4 during any given academic year. In addition, an institution shall be permitted to participate in one exempted event in Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico only one time during a four-year period.

² An institution may conduct two informal scrimmages between November 1 and the conclusion of the season, provided the institution does not use an exemption set forth in Bylaw 17.5.5.2.3-(d) or 17.5.5.2.3-(e). If an institution uses one exemption in either Bylaw 17.5.5.2.3-(d) or 17.5.5.2.3-(e), it may not exempt more than one informal scrimmage.

³ An institution may play two exhibition contests against a foreign team in the United States during any year in which it does not use an exemption set forth in Bylaw 17.5.5.2.3-(e).

⁴ An institution may play two exhibition contests against a "club" member of USA Basketball during any year in which it does not use an exemption set forth in Bylaw 17.5.5.2.3-(d).

⁵ An institution may exempt two contests against a Division I or III institution, provided the institution does not use an exemption in accordance with Bylaws 17.5.5.2.3-(d), (e) or (g). If an institution does use one exemption in accordance with Bylaws 17.5.5.2.3-(d), (e) or (g), it may exempt only one contest against a Division I or III institution.

⁶ Foreign tour not permitted in same year that other once-in-four-year exemptions are used.

- (a) **Hawaii or Puerto Rico Contests.** Not more than one contest or tournament (not to exceed four contests) played in Hawaii or Puerto Rico, respectively, by a member institution located outside the area in question, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in the area in question; (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/92*)

- (b) **Foreign Team in Canada.** The one basketball game against a foreign team in Canada.

17.5.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's playing season except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1.

17.5.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in basketball who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics. Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. (See Bylaw 13.13 for restrictions on such employment). (*Revised: 1/10/92, 1/11/94*)

17.5.8 Other Restrictions

17.5.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. A student-athlete shall be ruled ineligible for intercollegiate basketball competition, if the student participates in any organized basketball competition except while representing the member institution or except as permitted in accordance with Bylaw 14.7.5.

17.5.8.2 Maximum Number of Student-Athletes on Outside Team. Following is the maximum number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining who may compete on an outside team:

- (a) State or national multisport events—2 (during the academic year).

- (b) Foreign tour (outside team or all-star team)—2.
- (c) Olympic and national team development programs and competition—No limitations.
- (d) Summer basketball team—No limitations. (*Revised: 1/14/97*)

17.5.8.3 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with remaining eligibility from that institution's basketball team except as provided in Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30. (*Adopted: 1/16/93*)

17.5.8.4 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing basketball equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of preseason practice as specified in Bylaw 17.5.2.

17.5.8.4.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of preseason practice is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking squad pictures. (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)

17.5.8.5 Celebrity Sports Activity. A limit of two players from a member institution's basketball team may participate in local celebrity sports activities, other than in the sport of basketball, conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:

- (a) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
- (b) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
- (c) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.6 BOWLING, WOMEN'S

Regulations for computing the bowling playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.) (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.6.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in bowling shall be limited to a 144-day season which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.6.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in bowling before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.6.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in bowling before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.6.4 End of Regular Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in each segment in bowling by the conclusion of the national governing body championship in bowling. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.6.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.6.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in bowling during the institution's bowling playing season to 26 dates of competition (games and scrimmages) (including not more than 10 tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.6.5.3 and 17.6.5.4.

17.6.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in bowling in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.6.5.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in 26 dates of competition in bowling (including not more than 10 tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition) (this limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution).

17.6.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in bowling shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-7):

FIGURE 17-7
Exemptions: Bowling Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.6.5.3-(a)] National Governing Body Championship [17.6.5.3-(b)] Alumnae Meet [17.6.5.3-(c)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.6.5.3-(d)] Date(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.6.5.3-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.6.5.3-(f)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.6.5.3-(g)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour (17.6.5.4)

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship meet in bowling;
- (b) **National Governing Body Championship.** Competition in the bowling national governing body championship;
- (c) **Alumnae Meet.** One date of competition each year with an alumnae team of the institution;
- (d) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (e) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question;
- (f) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (g) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's team who participate in local celebrity activities in the applicable sport conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
- (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.6.5.4 Foreign Tour. The dates of competition on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.30).

17.6.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season in accordance with Bylaw 17.6.1 except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1.

17.6.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.

17.6.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility.

17.6.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in bowling who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.

17.6.8 Other Restrictions

17.6.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.6.8.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in bowling if, after enrollment in college and during any year in

which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate squad or team, she competes or has competed as a member of an outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meet, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers).

17.6.8.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining who may practice or compete out of season on an outside amateur team.

17.6.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.6.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.6.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.7 CROSS COUNTRY

Regulations for computing the cross country playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.7.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in cross country shall be limited to a 144-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.7.1.1 Track and Field Student-Athletes Participating in Cross Country. Track and field student-athletes listed as participants for cross country must participate fully in cross country practices. If student-athletes are practicing in track and field events unrelated to the sport of cross country, such practices must be counted in the institution's established segment in the sport of track and field. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

17.7.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in cross country before the date that permits a maximum of 21 practice opportunities (see Bylaw 17.02.11) before the first scheduled intercollegiate contest. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.7.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in cross country before September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93, Revised: 1/13/98*)

17.7.3.1 Exception during the Years 1998-2001. It is permissible for an institution to engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition on August 25 during the years 1998-2000 and August 24 in the year 2001. (*Adopted: 1/13/98*)

17.7.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in the sport of cross country by the last date of final examinations for the regular academic year at the institution. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.7.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.7.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of cross country during the institution's cross country playing season to seven dates of competition (games and scrimmages), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.7.5.3 and 17.7.5.7 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.7.5.1.1 Exception—Cross Country without Indoor or Outdoor Track and Field. An institution that sponsors men's or women's cross country but does not sponsor indoor or outdoor track and field shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the cross country playing season to seven dates of competition during the traditional segment and five dates of competition during the nontraditional segment. (*Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94*)

17.7.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in cross country in one or more foreign countries on one trip dur-

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ing the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.7.5.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in seven cross country dates of competition (this limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution). *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.7.5.2.1 Exception—Cross Country without Indoor or Outdoor Track and Field. An individual student-athlete who attends an institution that sponsors men's or women's cross country but does not sponsor indoor or outdoor track and field may participate during each academic year in seven dates of competition during the traditional segment in cross country and five dates of competition during the nontraditional segment. *(Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94)*

17.7.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sport of cross country shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-8):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship meet in cross country;
- (b) **Season-Ending Tournaments**
 - (1) **NCAA Championship.** Competition in an NCAA cross country championships;
 - (2) **NAIA Championship.** Competition in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) cross country championships;
- (c) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before NCAA championships;
- (d) **Alumni Meet.** One date of competition in cross country each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (e) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition in cross country each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (f) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in cross country in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question; *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*
- (g) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any cross country activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (h) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's cross country team who participate in local celebrity cross country activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.7.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in cross country on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30). *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.7.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.7.1 except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.7.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.7.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility. *(Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/11/94)*

FIGURE 17-8
Exemptions: Cross Country Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.7.5.3-(a)] NCAA Championship [17.7.5.3-(b)-(1)] NAIA Championship [17.7.5.3-(b)-(2)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.7.5.3-(c)] Alumni Meet [17.7.5.3-(d)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.7.5.3-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.7.5.3-(g)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.7.5.3-(h)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Date(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii or Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.7.5.3-(f)-(2)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.7.5.7-(a)]
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

17.7.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in cross country who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.7.8 Other Restrictions

17.7.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.7.8.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in the sport of cross country if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate cross country squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside cross country team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meet, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate cross country season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). *(Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.7.8.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate cross country who may practice or compete out of season on an outside amateur cross country team. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised 1/16/93)*

17.7.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's cross country team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.7.8.1.2.3 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.7.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.8 FENCING

Regulations for computing the fencing playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.8.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in fencing shall be limited to a 144-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.8.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in fencing

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before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.8.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in fencing before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.8.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (matches or practice matches) in the sport of fencing by the last date of final examinations for the regular academic year at the institution. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.8.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.8.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of fencing during the permissible fencing playing season to 11 dates of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.8.5.2 and 17.8.5.3 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.8.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in fencing in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.8.5.1.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 11 dates of competition in fencing. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.8.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sport of fencing shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-9):

(a) Season-Ending Tournament

- (1) **NCAA Championship.** Competition in the National Collegiate Men's and Women's Fencing Championships;
- (2) **Season-Ending Tournament.** Competition in one season-ending fencing tournament (e.g., conference championship, regional tournament) other than an NCAA fencing championship; *(Revised: 1/10/90)*

(b) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before NCAA championships;

(c) **Alumni Meet.** One date of competition in fencing each year with an alumni team of the institution;

(d) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition in fencing each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;

(e) **Hawaii or Alaska.** Any dates of competition in fencing in Hawaii or Alaska, respectively, against an active Division I member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska, by a member located outside the area in question; *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

(f) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any fencing activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation;

(g) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's fencing team who participate in local celebrity fencing activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:

- (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
- (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
- (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

(h) **U.S. National Team.** One date of competition against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body in fencing. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

FIGURE 17-9
Exemptions: Fencing Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	NCAA Championship [17.8.5.2-(a)-(1)] Season-Ending Tournament [17.8.5.2-(a)-(2)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.8.5.2-(b)] Alumni Meet [17.8.5.2-(c)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.8.5.2-(d)] Date(s) against Active Division I Members in Hawaii or Alaska [17.8.5.2-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.8.5.2-(f)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.8.5.2-(g)] U. S. National Team [17.8.5.2-(h)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Certified Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions (17.8.5.3) (30.10.3) OR Foreign Tour [17.8.5.4-(a)]

17.8.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Certification Required. An institution may exempt not more than one of the certified once-in-four-years exemptions from its maximum number of contests during any academic year and may not repeat participation in that event within a four-year period. The contest must be certified by the Division I Championships/ Competition Cabinet in accordance with Bylaw 30.10.3 [see also Bylaw 17.8.5.4-(a)]. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.8.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Certification Not Required—Foreign Tour. The contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30). An institution may not use this exemption in the same year that it uses an exemption set forth in Bylaw 17.8.5.3. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.8.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1) outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.8.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.8.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.8.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility. (*Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/11/94*)

17.8.7 Safety Exception. A coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts in the institution's regular practice facility (without the workouts being considered as countable athletically related activities) when the student-athlete uses fencing equipment. The coach may provide safety or skill instruction but cannot conduct the individual's workouts. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.8.8 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in fencing who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.8.9 Other Restrictions

17.8.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.8.9.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in the sport of fencing if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate fencing squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside fencing team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meet, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate fencing season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). (*Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.8.9.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same

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member institution with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate fencing who may practice or compete out of season on an outside amateur fencing team. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.8.9.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining with the institution's fencing team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.8.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.8.9.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.9 FIELD HOCKEY

Regulations for computing the field hockey playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.9.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in field hockey shall be limited to a 132-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.9.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in field hockey before the date that permits a maximum of 21 practice opportunities (see Bylaw 17.02.11) before the first scheduled intercollegiate contest. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.9.3 First Contest or Date of Competition. A member institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in field hockey before September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, except that an alumni contest may be played the weekend before September 1 when September 1 does not fall on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday as provided in Bylaw 17.9.5.1.1. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/10/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/24/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.9.3.1 Exception during the Years 1998-2001. It is permissible for an institution to engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition on August 25 during the years 1998-2000 and August 24 in the year 2001. *(Adopted: 1/13/98)*

17.9.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in the sport of field hockey by the last date of final exams for the regular academic year at the institution. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.9.5 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition

17.9.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of field hockey during the institution's field hockey playing season in any one year to 20 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition during another segment, except for those contests or dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.9.5.3: *(Revised: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92)*

17.9.5.1.1 Scrimmages/Exhibition Games. A member institution may play one field hockey scrimmage or exhibition game (which shall not count toward the institution's won-lost record) before the first scheduled contest during a particular academic year, provided the scrimmage or exhibition game is conducted during the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.9.1 (including the preseason practice period) and is counted against the maximum number of contests. *(Adopted: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95)*

17.9.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable field hockey contests or dates of competition in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests or dates of competition played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.9.5.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 20 field hockey contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition in field hockey during another segment. This limitation includes those contests or dates of competition in which the student represents the institu-

tion in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution. (*Revised: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92*)

17.9.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of contests or dates of competition in the sport of field hockey shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-10):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship tournament in field hockey (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA field hockey championship);
- (b) **Conference Playoff.** Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference field hockey championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA field hockey championship without the game(s) being counted as a postseason tournament;
- (c) **Season-Ending Tournaments.** Competition in one season-ending field hockey tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of the regular season; (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- (d) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before an NCAA championship;
- (e) **Alumnae Game.** One contest or date of competition in field hockey each year with an alumnae team of the institution;
- (f) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One contest or date of competition in field hockey each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (g) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any contests or dates of competition in field hockey played in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member institution located outside the area in question;
- (h) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any field hockey activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (i) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's field hockey team who participate in local celebrity field hockey activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.9.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The contests or dates of competition in field hockey played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30).

17.9.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.9.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.9.6.1 Summer Practice. Field hockey practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.

17.9.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in field hockey who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.9.8 Other Restrictions

17.9.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.9.8.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate field hockey competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate field hockey squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside field hockey team in any noncollegiate, ama-

FIGURE 17-10
Exemptions: Field Hockey Dates of Competition
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Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.9.5.3-(a)] Conference Playoff [17.9.5.3-(b)] Season-Ending Tournaments [17.9.5.3-(c)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.9.5.3-(d)] Alumnae Game [17.9.5.3-(e)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.9.5.3-(f)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.9.5.3-(h)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.9.5.3-(i)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Date(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.9.5.3-(g)-(2)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.9.5.7-(a)]
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

teur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate field hockey season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). (*Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.9.8.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate field hockey who may practice or compete out of season on an outside amateur field hockey team. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.9.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with remaining eligibility from the institution's field hockey team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.9.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.9.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing field hockey equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of the traditional or nontraditional segment as specified in Bylaw 17.9.2. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

17.9.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking squad pictures. (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)

17.10 FOOTBALL

(See Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.10.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in football shall be limited to the period of time between the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.10.2) and the end of the regular playing season (see Bylaw 17.10.4), except as provided in Bylaw 17.10.6 (out-of-season practice). (See Bylaw 17.10.3 for restrictions on first contest dates.)

17.10.2 Preseason Practice (See Figure 17-11.)

17.10.2.1 First Practice Date. A member institution shall not commence official preseason football practice sessions, for the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team, before the date that will permit a maximum of 29 practice opportunities (see Bylaw 17.02.11) before its first scheduled intercollegiate game, except as provided for student-athletes who are first-time participants. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

17.10.2.2 Three-Day, Noncontact, Conditioning Practice Period. Physical activity during the first three days of the preseason practice period shall be limited to noncontact, conditioning drills. No football gear or protective equipment other than headgear, shoulder pads, shoes, pants and porous, lightweight jerseys shall be worn by players during practice sessions in this three-day period. (*Revised: 1/10/95*)

FIGURE 17-11
Examples of Activities Permitted Prior to
First Day of Football Practice
If Practice Begins on a Monday

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Divisions II and III			Team Reports for Evening Meal (No Foot- ball-Related Meetings)	Team Pictures and Equipment	No Practice Activity or Foot- ball-Related Meetings	1st Day of Practice

17.10.2.2.1 Counting Sundays. If one of the first three days of an institution's football practice schedule is a Sunday used for noncontact, conditioning drills, that Sunday may not be counted toward fulfillment of the mandatory three-day conditioning practice requirement.

17.10.2.3 Activities before First Practice Date. It shall be permissible to conduct a recognized medical test included as part of the permissible medical examination administered or supervised by a physician or trainer to determine the health status of the systems of the body (i.e., cardiovascular field test).

17.10.3 First Contest. A member institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in football before the Thursday preceding Labor Day. An exception to the first contest date shall be permitted when selected to participate in the National Football Foundation benefit game or the American Football Coaches Retirement Trust benefit game, both sponsored by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics and played in the week before the beginning of the regular playing season in football. An exception to the first contest date shall exist during the years 1998-2001 to permit an institution to play its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in football on the weekend preceding the Labor Day weekend. (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/91 effective 8/1/92 in Division III, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97, 1/13/98*)

17.10.4 End of Playing Season. A member institution's last contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in football shall not be played after the second Saturday or Sunday in December, except for the following: (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

- (a) **Spring Practice Scrimmage.** One scrimmage or contest at the conclusion of spring practice, provided the game is with a team composed of bona fide alumni or students or both; and (*Revised: 1/10/90*)
- (b) **Bowl Games, NCAA and NAIA Championships, International Competition, and Pioneer Bowl.** One postseason game played in the Division II Football Championship; football contests played on a foreign tour certified by the member institution, or the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics football championships. A member institution's last contest also may include participation in the Pioneer Bowl to be held between representatives of the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association and the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference no earlier than one week after the conclusion of the National Collegiate Division II Football Championship. (*Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/91, 1/10/92, 1/16/93, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.10.4.1 Pioneer Bowl Restrictions. All members of the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association and the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference shall participate in the Division II Football Championship, if eligible and selected for participation, and members of those conferences that participate in the Division II Football Championship also shall not participate in the Pioneer Bowl during the same year. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.10.4.2 Mineral Water Bowl Restrictions. All members of the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association and the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference shall participate in the Division II Football Championship, if eligible and selected for participation. In addition, members of those conferences that participate in the Division II Football Championship shall not participate in the Mineral Water Bowl during the same year. (*Adopted: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

17.10.4.3 Final Date for Bowl Game. A certified postseason football game in Bylaw 17.10.4-(b) must be played not later than the January 2 immediately after the conclusion of the regular football season or, if January 2 falls on a Friday or a Sunday, not later than January 3 of that year. (*Adopted: 1/11/89, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95*)

17.10.5 Number of Contests

17.10.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total regular-season playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of football during the permissible football playing season in any one year to 11 contests (games and scrimmages), except as provided for member

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institutions located in Alaska and Hawaii under Bylaw 17.29.2 and except as provided for all members under Bylaw 17.10.5.2.

17.10.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in football in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada, Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.10.5.1.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 11 football contests in Division II. This limitation includes those contests in which the student-athlete represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/92*)

17.10.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of football contests shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-12):

- (a) **Spring Game.** One contest at the conclusion of the spring practice period [see Bylaw 17.10.4-(a)], provided the contest is against a team composed of bona fide alumni or students or both; (*Revised: 1/10/90*)
- (b) **Mineral Water Bowl.** Participation in the Mineral Water Bowl, held between representatives of the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association and the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; (*Adopted: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)
- (c) **Pioneer Bowl.** Participation in the Pioneer Bowl, held between representatives of the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association and the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- (d) **Twelve-Member Conference Championship Game.** A conference championship game between division champions of a member conference of 12 or more institutions that is divided into two divisions (of six or more institutions each), each of which conducts round-robin, regular-season competition among the members of that division;
- (e) **Conference Tournament.** A conference-sponsored postseason tournament (i.e., one between teams that are not identified until the end of the preceding regular season nor selected until after teams for the Division II Football Championship have been named), not to exceed one contest for any member institution; (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)
- (f) **NCAA Championships.** Games played in the NCAA Divisions I-AA, II and III football championships;
- (g) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before an NCAA championship;
- (h) **NAIA Championships.** Games played in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) football championship;
- (i) **Foreign Tour.** The football games played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30);
- (j) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any football games played in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member institution located outside the area in question; and
- (k) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's football team who participate in local celebrity football activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.10.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the playing season, except for the following:

- (a) **Conditioning Activities.** Student-athletes may participate in conditioning activities in accordance with Bylaw 17.1.5.2.
- (b) **Spring Practice.** Fifteen postseason practice sessions (including intrasquad scrimmages and the spring

FIGURE 17-12
Exemptions: Football Contests
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Annual Exemptions	Spring Game [17.10.5.2-(a)] Pioneer Bowl [17.10.5.2-(d)] 12-Member Conference Championship Game [17.10.5.2-(e)] Conference Tournament [17.10.5.2-(g)] Bowl Games [17.10.5.2-(j)] NCAA Championships [17.10.5.2-(k)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.10.5.2-(l)] NAIA Championship [17.10.5.2-(m)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.10.5.2-(r)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Spring Game [17.10.5.2-(a)] AND Pioneer Bowl [17.10.5.2-(d)] AND Conference Tournament [17.10.5.2-(g)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.10.5.2-(n)]
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

game are permissible, provided they are conducted within a period of 29 consecutive calendar days, omitting vacation and examination days officially announced on the institution's calendar and days during which the institution is closed due to inclement weather, with no practices permitted on Sundays. Any such practice sessions held during vacation days may not be of longer duration than those normally held when academic classes are in session. Only 12 of the 15 sessions may involve contact, and such contact shall not occur before the third practice session. The noncontact practice sessions may involve headgear as the only piece of protective equipment. Of the 12 permissible contact sessions, eight sessions may involve tackling, and no more than three of the eight tackling sessions may be devoted primarily (greater than 50 percent of practice time) to 11-on-11 scrimmages. Tackling shall be prohibited in four of the 12 contact sessions. An institution has the discretion to determine the practice activities (other than tackling) that may occur during the four contact nontackling sessions as well as the protective equipment to be worn by the student-athletes. If an institution conducts a "spring game" per Bylaw 17.10.5.2-(a), the game shall be counted as one of the three sessions that can be devoted primarily to 11-on-11 scrimmages. A student-athlete's participation in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1) during the spring practice period shall be limited to a maximum of four hours per day and 20 hours per week. (*Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/91, 1/10/92, 1/16/93, 1/11/94, 1/11/95, 1/9/96, 1/13/98*)

17.10.8 Other Restrictions

17.10.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. A student-athlete shall be ineligible for intercollegiate competition in football for the duration of the football season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate football squad or team, the student-athlete competes or has competed as a member of any outside football team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity). (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.10.8.1.1 Out-of-Season, Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. It is permissible for only one student-athlete from a member institution's football team to practice or compete as a member of an outside amateur football team outside the playing season, provided no member of the athletics department from the institution in which such a student-athlete is enrolled is involved with the team in any way (e.g., coach, official, player).

17.10.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing football equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the opening of permissible practice as specified in Bylaw 17.10.2.1 (see Figure 17-11). (*Revised: 1/10/95*)

17.10.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of the opening of permissible

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practice is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking squad pictures. (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)

17.10.8.3 Postseason Football Contests. A member institution shall not participate in any noncollegiate or nonconference-sponsored postseason football game, unless it has been certified by the Championships Committee and satisfies the provisions of Bylaw 18.7.

17.11 GOLF

Regulations for computing the golf playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.11.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in golf shall be limited to a 144-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.11.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in golf before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.11.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (match or practice match) with outside competition in golf before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.11.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in the sport of golf by the conclusion of the NCAA golf championships. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.11.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.11.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of golf during the permissible golf playing season to 24 dates of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.11.5.2 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.11.5.1.1 Tournament Limitations. No tournament including those involving "college-am" fundraisers shall exceed three days. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94*)

17.11.5.1.2 Determination of Date of Competition. A member institution shall be considered to have used a date of competition in golf, if one or more student-athletes participate on behalf of the institution on a particular date.

17.11.5.1.3 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in golf in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.11.5.1.4 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in 24 dates of competition in golf (this limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution). (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.11.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sport of golf shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-13):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship tournament in golf;
- (b) **NAIA Championship.** Competition in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) golf championships;
- (c) **NCAA Championship.** Competition in the NCAA golf championships;
- (d) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before NCAA championships;
- (e) **Alumni Match.** One date of competition in golf each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (f) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition in golf each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (g) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in golf in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico,

FIGURE 17-13
Exemptions: Golf Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.11.5.2.3-(a)] NAIA Championship [17.11.5.2.3-(b)] NCAA Championship [17.11.5.2.3-(c)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.11.5.2.3-(d)] Alumni Match [17.11.5.2.3-(e)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.11.5.2.3-(f)] East-West All-Star Match [17.11.5.2.3-(h)] Sun Bowl All-American Classic [17.11.5.2.3-(i)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.11.5.2.3-(j)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.11.5.2.3-(k)] College-Am Event [17.11.5.2.3-(l)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Date(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.11.5.2.3-(g)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.11.5.5-(a)]
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question; (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

- (h) **East-West All-Star Match.** The participation of a Division II member or members of an institution's golf team in the East-West all-star golf match at the site of the NCAA division golf championships on the day before the start of the competition (i.e., the practice-round day); (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- (i) **Sun Bowl All-American Classic.** Participation in the Sun Bowl All-American Classic, provided not more than two student-athletes from the institution participate in that event; (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- (j) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any golf activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams or in which team members of that sport participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation;
- (k) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's golf team who participate in local celebrity golf activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.
- (l) **College-Am Event.** A "college-am" golf tournament, provided the event is held in conjunction with intercollegiate competition and student-athletes do not receive awards or prizes for such participation. (*Revised: 1/10/91*)

17.11.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in golf on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30).

17.11.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.11.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

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17.11.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.11.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility. *(Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/11/94)*

17.11.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in golf who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.11.8 Other Restrictions

17.11.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.11.8.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate golf competition for the remainder of the season in the sport of golf if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate golf squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside golf team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate golf season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93)*

17.11.8.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate golf who may practice or compete out of season on an outside amateur golf team. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.11.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's golf team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.11.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.11.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations. *(Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93)*

17.12 GYMNASTICS

Regulations for computing the gymnastics playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.12.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in gymnastics shall be limited to a 144-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.12.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in gymnastics before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.12.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (meet or practice meet) with outside competition in gymnastics before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.12.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in the sport of gymnastics by the conclusion of the National Collegiate Gymnastics Championships. *(Revised 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97)*

17.12.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.12.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of gymnastics during the permissible gymnastics playing season to 13 dates of competition except for the dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.12.5.2 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.12.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable gymnastics dates of competition in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.12.5.1.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 13 dates of competition in gymnastics. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.12.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sport of gymnastics shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-15):

(a) **Season-Ending Tournaments**

- (1) **NCAA Championship.** Competition in the NCAA gymnastics championships;
 - (2) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship meet in gymnastics;
 - (3) **USA Gymnastics and NCGA Championships.** Competition in the USA Gymnastics and National College Gymnastics Association (NCGA) collegiate gymnastics championships; (*Revised: 1/16/93*)
- (b) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before NCAA championships;
- (c) **Alumni Meet.** One date of competition in gymnastics each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (d) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition in gymnastics each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (e) **Hawaii or Alaska.** Any dates of competition in gymnastics in Hawaii or Alaska, respectively, against an active Division I member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska, by a member located outside the area in question; (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- (f) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any gymnastics activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation;
- (g) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's gymnastics team who participate in local celebrity gymnastics activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
- (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.
- (h) **U.S. National Team.** One date of competition played against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body for gymnastics. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.12.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Certification Required. An institution may exempt not more than one of the certified once-in-four-years exemptions from its maximum number of contests during any academic year and may not repeat participation in that event within a four-year period. The contest must be certified by the Championship Committee (see also Bylaw 17.12.5.4). (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.12.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Certification Not Required—Foreign Tour. The contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30). An institution may not use this exemption in the same year that it uses an exemption set forth in Bylaw 17.12.5.3. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.12.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1) outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.12.1 except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.12.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institu-

FIGURE 17-14
Exemptions: Gymnastics Dates of Competition
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Annual Exemptions	NCAA Championship [17.12.5.2-(a)-(1)] Conference Championship [17.12.5.2-(a)-(2)] USA Gymnastics and NCGA Championships [17.12.5.2-(a)-(3)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.12.5.2-(b)] Alumni Meet [17.12.5.2-(c)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.12.5.2-(d)] Date(s) against Active Division I Members in Hawaii or Alaska [17.12.5.2-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.12.5.2-(f)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.12.5.2-(g)] U.S. National Team [17.12.5.2-(h)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Certified Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions (17.12.5.3) (30.10.3) OR Foreign Tour (17.12.5.4)

tion shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.12.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility. (*Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/11/94*)

17.12.7 Safety Exception. A coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts in the institution's regular practice facility (without the workouts being considered as countable athletically related activities) when the student-athlete uses gymnastics equipment. The coach may provide safety instruction and skill instruction, but cannot conduct the individual's workouts. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.12.8 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in gymnastics who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.12.9 Other Restrictions

17.12.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.12.9.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in the sport of gymnastics if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate gymnastics squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside gymnastics team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meet, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate gymnastics season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). (*Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.12.9.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate gymnastics who may practice or compete out of season on an outside amateur gymnastics team. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.12.9.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's gymnastics team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.12.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.12.9.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.13 ICE HOCKEY

Regulations for computing the ice hockey playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. Institutions that conduct women's ice hockey shall comply with the same playing and practice season legislation that currently exists for men's ice hockey. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.) *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.13.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in ice hockey shall be limited to a 132-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.13.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in ice hockey before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.13.3 First Contest. A member institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in ice hockey before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. *(Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95)*

17.13.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in each segment in the sport of ice hockey by the last day of final examinations for the regular academic year at the institution. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.13.5 Number of Contests

17.13.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition during the institution's ice hockey playing season in the sport of women's ice hockey to 34 contests and in the sport of men's ice hockey to 32 contests (games or scrimmages), except for those contests excluded under Bylaws 17.13.5.3 and 17.13.5.7. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.13.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in ice hockey in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.13.5.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in 34 contests in women's ice hockey and in 32 contests in men's ice hockey (this limitation includes those contests in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution).

17.13.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of ice hockey contests shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-15):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship tournament in ice hockey (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA ice hockey championship);
- (b) **Conference Playoff.** Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA ice hockey championship without the game(s) being counted as a postseason tournament;
- (c) **Season-Ending Tournaments**
 - (1) **Championships.** Competition in one season-ending ice hockey tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season; *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
 - (2) **American Women's College Hockey Alliance Championship.** Competition in the American Women's College Hockey Alliance national championship tournament. *(Adopted: 1/12/99)*
- (d) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before an NCAA championship;
- (e) **Alumni Game.** One ice hockey contest each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (f) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One ice hockey contest each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (g) **U.S. Women's National Team.** Two women's ice hockey contests against the U.S. national

FIGURE 17-15
Exemptions: Ice Hockey Contests
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.13.5.3-(a)] Conference Playoff [17.13.5.3-(b)] Season-Ending Tournaments [17.13.5.3-(c)-(2)] American Women's College Hockey Alliance [17.13.5.3-(c)-(4)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.13.5.3-(d)] Alumni Game [17.13.5.3-(e)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.13.5.3-(f)] Two contests against U.S. Women's National Team [17.13.5.3-(i)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.13.5.3-(k)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.13.5.3-(l)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Game(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.13.5.3-(j)-(2)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.13.5.7-(a)]
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

women's ice hockey team during the season immediately preceding any winter Olympic competition; (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/10/00*)

- (h) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any ice hockey games played in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member institution located outside the area in question; (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- (i) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any ice hockey activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (j) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's ice hockey team who participate in local celebrity ice hockey activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.13.5.4 Once-In-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The ice hockey games played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30). (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.13.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.13.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.13.6.1 Summer Practice. Ice hockey practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.

17.13.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in ice hockey who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.13.8 Other Restrictions

17.13.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.13.8.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate ice hockey competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate ice hockey squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside ice hockey team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate ice hockey season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). (*Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.13.8.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate ice hockey who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur ice hockey team. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.13.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's ice hockey team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.13.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.13.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing ice hockey equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.13.2. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

17.13.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking squad pictures. (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)

17.14 LACROSSE

Regulations for computing the lacrosse playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.14.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in lacrosse shall be limited to a 132-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.14.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in lacrosse before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.14.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in lacrosse before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.14.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in the sport of lacrosse by the conclusion of the NCAA lacrosse championship in the institution's division. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.14.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.14.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of lacrosse during the institution's lacrosse playing season to 17 dates of competition in men's and women's lacrosse during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.14.5.2 and 17.14.5.6. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

17.14.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in lacrosse in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for dates of competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.14.5.1.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 17 dates of competition in men's and women's lacrosse, and 17 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted. This limitation includes those contests in which the student represents the institution in

accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00)*

17.14.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sport of lacrosse shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-16):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship tournament in lacrosse;
- (b) **Season-Ending Tournaments**
 - (1) **NCAA Championship.** Competition in an NCAA lacrosse championship;
 - (2) **Season-Ending Tournament.** Competition in one season-ending lacrosse tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of the regular season; *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*
- (c) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before an NCAA championship;
- (d) **Alumni Game.** One date of competition in lacrosse each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (e) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition in lacrosse each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (f) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in lacrosse played in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of a member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by an active member located outside the area in question; *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*
- (g) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any lacrosse activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (h) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's lacrosse team who participate in local celebrity lacrosse activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.14.5.3 Once-In-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in lacrosse on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30). *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.14.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.14.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.14.6.1 Summer Practice. Lacrosse practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.

17.14.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in lacrosse who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.14.8 Other Restrictions

17.14.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.14.8.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate lacrosse competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate lacrosse squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside lacrosse team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate lacrosse season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). *(Revised: 1/16/93)*

FIGURE 17-16
Exemptions: Lacrosse Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.14.5.2-(a)] Season-Ending Tournaments [17.14.5.2-(b)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.14.5.2-(c)] Alumni Game [17.14.5.2-(d)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.14.5.2-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.14.5.2-(g)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.14.5.2-(h)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Date(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.14.5.2-(f)-(2)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour (17.14.5.6)
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

17.14.8.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate lacrosse who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur lacrosse team. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.14.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's lacrosse team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.14.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.14.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing lacrosse equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.14.2. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

17.14.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking squad pictures. (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)

17.15 RIFLE

Regulations for computing the rifle playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.15.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in rifle shall be limited to a 144-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.15.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in rifle before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.15.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (meet or practice meet) with outside competition in rifle before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.15.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in the sport of rifle by the last date of final examinations for the regular academic year at the institution. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.15.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.15.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing

schedule with outside competition in the sport of rifle during the permissible rifle playing season to 13 dates of competition except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.15.5.2, 17.15.5.3 and 17.15.5.4 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.15.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in rifle in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.15.5.1.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 13 dates of competition in rifle. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.15.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sport of rifle shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-17):

(a) **Season-Ending Tournaments**

- (1) **NCAA Championship.** Competition in the National Collegiate Men's and Women's Rifle Championships;
- (2) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship competition in rifle;
- (b) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before NCAA championships;
- (c) **Alumni Match.** One date of competition in rifle each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (d) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition in rifle each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (e) **Hawaii or Alaska.** Any dates of competition in rifle in Hawaii or Alaska, respectively, against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska, by an active member located outside the area in question; (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- (f) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any rifle activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation;
- (g) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's rifle team who participate in local celebrity rifle activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.
- (h) **U.S. National Team.** One date of competition played against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body for rifle. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.15.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Certification Required. An institution may exempt not more than one of the certified once-in-four-years exemptions from its maximum number of contests during any academic year and may not repeat participation in that event within a four-year period. The contest must be certified by the Division I Championships/Competition Cabinet in accordance with Bylaw 30.10.3 (see also Bylaw 17.15.5.4). (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.15.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Certification Not Required—Foreign Tour. The contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30). An institution may not use this exemption in the same year that it uses an exemption set forth in Bylaw 17.15.5.3. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.15.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1) outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.15.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

FIGURE 17-17
Exemptions: Rifle Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	NCAA Championship [17.15.5.2-(a)-(1)] Conference Championship [17.15.5.2-(a)-(2)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.15.5.2-(b)] Alumni Match [17.15.5.2-(c)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.15.5.2-(d)] Date(s) against Active Division I Members in Hawaii or Alaska [17.15.5.2-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.15.5.2-(f)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.15.5.2-(g)] U.S. National Team [17.15.5.2-(h)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Certified Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions (17.15.5.3) (30.10.3) <u>OR</u> Foreign Tour (17.15.5.3.4)

17.15.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.15.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility. (*Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/11/94*)

17.15.7 Safety Exception. A coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts in the institution's regular practice facility (without the workouts being considered as countable athletically related activities) when the student-athlete is shooting. The coach may provide safety or skill instruction but cannot conduct the individual's workouts. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.15.8 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in rifle who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.15.9 Other Restrictions

17.15.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.15.9.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in the sport of rifle if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate rifle squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside rifle team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meet, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate rifle season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). (*Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.15.9.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate rifle who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur rifle team. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.15.9.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's rifle team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.15.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.15.9.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

Rowing, Women's/17.16—17.16.5.3

17.16 ROWING, WOMEN'S

Regulations for computing the rowing playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.) *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.16.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in rowing shall be limited to a 156-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.16.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in rowing before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.16.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in rowing before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.16.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in the sport of rowing by the conclusion of the National Collegiate Rowing Championship. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.16.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.16.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of rowing during the institution's playing season to 20 dates of competition (games and scrimmages), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.16.5.3 and 17.16.5.4. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.16.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in rowing in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years. *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.16.5.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in 20 dates of competition (this limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution). *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.16.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sport of rowing shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-18): *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championships meet in rowing;
- (b) **Season-Ending Tournament—NCAA Championship.** Competition in the National Collegiate Women's Rowing Championships;
- (c) **United States Rowing Association Championships.** Competition in the U.S. Rowing Association championships;
- (d) **Alumnae Meet.** One date of competition in rowing each year with an alumnae team of the institution;
- (e) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition in rowing each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (f) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in rowing in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question;
- (g) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any rowing activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (h) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's rowing team who participate in local celebrity rowing activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;

FIGURE 17-18
Exemptions: Rowing Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.16.5.3-(a)] Season-Ending Tournaments [17.16.5.3-(b)] Alumnae Meet [17.16.5.3-(d)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.16.5.3-(e)] Date(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.16.5.3-(f)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.16.5.3-(g)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.16.5.3-(h)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	U.S. Rowing Association Championship [17.16.5.3-(c)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour (17.16.5.4)

(2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and

(3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.16.5.4 Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in rowing on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.30).

17.16.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.16.1, except as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.16.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.16.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.16.7 Safety Exception. A coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts in the institution's regular practice facility (without the workouts being considered as countable athletically related activities) when the student-athlete uses rowing equipment. The coach may provide safety or skill instruction but cannot conduct the individual's workouts. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.16.8 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in rowing who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.16.9 Other Restrictions

17.16.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.16.9.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate rowing competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate rowing squad or team, she competes or has competed as a member of any outside rowing team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate rowing season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.16.9.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate rowing who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur rowing team. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

Rowing, Women's/17.16.9.1.2.1—Skiing/17.17.5.2

17.16.9.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with remaining eligibility from that institution's rowing team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.16.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.16.9.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing rowing equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.16.2. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.16.9.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking squad pictures. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.17 SKIING

Regulations for computing the skiing playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.17.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in skiing shall be limited to a 144-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.17.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in skiing before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.17.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (meets or practice meets) with outside competition in skiing before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.17.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in the sport of skiing by the last date of final examinations for the regular academic year at the institution. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.17.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.17.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of skiing during the permissible skiing playing season to 16 dates of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.17.5.2, 17.17.5.3 and 17.17.5.4 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.17.5.1.1 Skiing Meet. A skiing meet of not more than two days' duration shall be considered a date of competition.

17.17.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in skiing in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.17.5.1.3 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 16 dates of competition in skiing. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.17.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sport of skiing shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-19):

(a) Season-Ending Tournaments

- (1) **NCAA Championship.** Competition in the National Collegiate Men's and Women's Skiing Championships;

FIGURE 17-19
Exemptions: Skiing Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	NCAA Championship [17.17.5.2-(a)-(1)] Conference Championship [17.17.5.2-(a)-(2)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.17.5.2-(b)] Alumni Meet [17.17.5.2-(c)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.17.5.2-(d)] Date(s) against Active Division I Members in Hawaii or Alaska [17.17.5.2-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.17.5.2-(f)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.17.5.2-(g)] U.S. National Team [17.17.5.2-(h)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Certified Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions (17.17.5.3) (30.10.3) <u>OR</u> Foreign Tour [17.17.5.4-(a)]

- (2) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championships meet in skiing;
- (b) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before NCAA championships;
- (c) **Alumni Meet.** One date of competition in skiing each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (d) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition in skiing each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (e) **Hawaii or Alaska.** Any dates of competition in skiing in Hawaii or Alaska, respectively, against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska, by a member located outside the area in question; (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- (f) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any skiing activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation;
- (g) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's ski team who participate in local celebrity skiing activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
- (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.
- (h) **U.S. National Team.** One date of competition against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body for skiing. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.17.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Certification Required. An institution may exempt not more than one of the certified once-in-four-years exemptions from its maximum number of contests during any academic year and may not repeat participation in that event within a four-year period. The contest must be certified by the Division I Championships/Competition Cabinet in accordance with Bylaw 30.10.3 [see also Bylaw 17.17.5.4-(a)]. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.17.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Certification Not Required—Foreign Tour. The contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30). An institution may not use this exemption in the same year that it uses an exemption set forth in Bylaw 17.17.5.3. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.17.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in countable athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1) outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.17.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91,*)

17.17.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign

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tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.17.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility. (*Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/11/94*)

17.17.7 Safety Exception. A coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts in the institution's regular practice facility (without the workouts being considered as countable athletically related activities) when the student-athlete is engaged in skiing. The coach may provide safety or skill instruction but cannot conduct the individual's workouts. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.17.8 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in skiing who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.17.9 Other Restrictions

17.17.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.17.9.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in the sport of skiing if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate skiing squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside skiing team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meet, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate skiing season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). (*Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.17.9.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate skiing who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur skiing team. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.17.9.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining with the institution's skiing team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.17.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.17.9.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.18 SOCCER

Regulations for computing the soccer playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.18.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in soccer shall be limited to a 132-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.18.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in soccer before the date that permits a maximum of 21 practice opportunities (see Bylaw 17.02.11) before the first scheduled intercollegiate contest. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.18.3 First Contest or Date of Competition. A member institution shall not play its first contest with outside competition in soccer before September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, except that an alumni contest may be played the weekend before September 1 when September 1 does not fall on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday as provided in Bylaw 17.18.5.1.1. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/10/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/24/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.18.3.1 Exception during the Years 1998-2001. It is permissible for an institution to engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition on August 25 during the years 1998-2000 and August 24 in the year 2001. (*Adopted: 1/13/98*)

17.18.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in the sport of soccer by the last date of final exams for the regular academic year at the institution. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.18.5 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition

17.18.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of soccer during the institution's soccer playing season in any one year to 20 contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition during another segment, except for those contests and/or dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.18.5.2 and 17.18.5.6. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.18.5.1.1 Scrimmages/Exhibition Games. A member institution may play up to three soccer scrimmages or exhibition games (which shall not count toward the institution's won-lost record) before the first scheduled contest during a particular academic year, provided such scrimmages or exhibition games are conducted during the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.18.1 and are counted against the maximum number of contests. *(Revised: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92, Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93)*

17.18.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in soccer in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.18.5.1.3 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 20 soccer contests during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and five dates of competition in soccer during another segment. This limitation includes those contests in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.18.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of soccer contests and dates of competition shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-20):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship tournament in soccer (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA soccer championship);
- (b) **Conference Playoff.** Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference soccer championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA soccer championship without the game(s) being counted as a regular-season contest or postseason tournament;
- (c) **Season-Ending Tournament.** Competition in one season-ending soccer tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season; *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*
- (d) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before an NCAA championship;
- (e) **Alumni Game.** One soccer contest or date of competition each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (f) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One soccer contest or date of competition each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (g) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any soccer games played in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member institution located outside the area in question;
- (h) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any soccer activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of an institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (i) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's soccer team who participate in local celebrity soccer activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and

FIGURE 17-20
Exemptions: Soccer Contests
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.18.5.2-(a)] Conference Playoff [17.18.5.2-(b)] Season-Ending Tournaments [17.18.5.2-(c)-(3)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.18.5.2-(d)] Alumni Game [17.18.5.2-(e)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.18.5.2-(f)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.18.5.2-(h)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.18.5.2-(i)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Game(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.18.5.2-(g)-(2)]
Once-in-Four Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.18.5.6-(a)]
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

(3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.18.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The soccer games played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30).

17.18.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.18.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.18.6.1 Summer Practice. Soccer practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.

17.18.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes who may be employed in the same soccer camp or clinic (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/92*)

17.18.8 Other Restrictions

17.18.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.18.8.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate soccer competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate soccer squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside soccer team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate soccer season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). (*Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.18.8.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate soccer who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur soccer team. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.18.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's soccer team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.18.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.18.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.18.2. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

17.18.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the

member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking squad pictures. (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)

17.19 SOFTBALL

Regulations for computing the softball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.19.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in softball shall be limited to a 132-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.19.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in softball before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.19.3 First-Contest Date. A member institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in softball before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.19.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in the sport of softball by the conclusion of the NCAA softball championship in the institution's division. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.19.5 Number of Contests

17.19.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of softball during the institution's softball playing season to 56 contests (games and scrimmages), except for those contests excluded under Bylaw 17.19.5.3.

17.19.5.1.1 Tournament Dates. Each date of a softball tournament shall be counted as one contest, and not more than 10 tournaments shall be scheduled in an academic year. For purposes of this legislation, a tournament shall be defined as an intercollegiate athletics event in which all of the following conditions are satisfied: (*Revised: 1/10/95*)

- (a) The event is a series of consecutive athletics contests that culminate in the designation of one team champion. Teams may advance through a single-elimination, double-elimination or pool-play bracket structure; (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)
- (b) The event is not longer than five days in duration with a maximum of four contests per team scheduled on any one day. Competition may be held at more than one site; and (*Adopted: 1/10/95, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- (c) Competing teams are selected (and may be seeded according to athletics ability) in advance of the competition. (*Adopted: 1/10/95*)

17.19.5.1.2 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in softball in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.19.5.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in 56 softball contests (this limitation includes those contests in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution).

17.19.5.2.1 Tournament Dates. Each date of a softball tournament shall be counted as one contest, and not more than 10 tournaments may be scheduled in an academic year.

17.19.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of softball contests shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-21):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship tournament in softball (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA softball championship);
- (b) **Conference Playoff.** Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA softball championship without the game(s) being counted as a post-season tournament;

FIGURE 17-21
Exemptions: Softball Contests
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.19.5.3-(a)] Conference Playoff [17.19.5.3-(b)] Season-Ending Tournaments [17.19.5.3-(c)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.19.5.3-(d)] Alumni Game [17.19.5.3-(e)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.19.5.3-(f)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.19.5.3-(h)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.19.5.3-(i)] U.S. National Team [17.19.5.3-(j)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Game(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.19.5.3-(g)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.19.5.7-(a)]
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

- (c) **Season-Ending Tournament.** Competition in one season-ending softball tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season; (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- (d) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before an NCAA championship;
- (e) **Alumnae Game.** One softball contest each year with an alumnae team of the institution;
- (f) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One softball contest each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (g) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any softball games played in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member institution located outside the area in question; (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- (h) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any softball activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of an institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation;
- (i) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's softball team who participate in local celebrity softball activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
- (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.
- (j) **U.S. National Team.** One date of competition against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body for softball. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.19.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The softball games played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30).

17.19.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared play-

ing season per Bylaw 17.19.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.19.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.19.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in softball who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.19.8 Other Restrictions

17.19.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.19.8.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate softball competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate softball squad or team, she competes or has competed as a member of any outside softball team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate softball season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). *(Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.19.8.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits to the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate softball who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur softball team. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.19.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's softball team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.19.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.19.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing softball equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.19.2. *(Revised: 1/11/89)*

17.19.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking squad pictures. *(Adopted: 1/11/89)*

17.20 SQUASH, WOMEN'S

Regulations for computing the squash playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.) *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.20.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in squash shall be limited to a 144-day season which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.20.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in squash before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.20.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in squash before September 7 or the institutions first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.20.4 End of Regular Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in each segment in squash by the last date of final examinations for the regular academic year at the institution. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.20.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.20.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in squash during the institution's playing season to 15 dates of competition (including not more than three tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.20.5.3 and 17.20.5.4.

Squash, Women's/17.20.5.1.1—17.20.8.1.1

17.20.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in squash in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.20.5.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in 15 dates of competition in squash (including not more than three tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition) (this limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution).

17.20.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in squash shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-22):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship meet in squash;
- (b) **National Governing Body Championship.** Competition in the squash national governing body championship;
- (c) **Alumnae Meet.** One date of competition each year with an alumnae team of the institution;
- (d) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (e) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question;
- (f) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (g) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's team who participate in local celebrity activities in squash conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.20.5.4 Once-In-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.30).

17.20.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season in accordance with Bylaw 17.20.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1.

17.20.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.

17.20.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility.

17.20.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in squash who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.

17.20.8 Other Restrictions

17.20.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.20.8.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in squash if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate squad or team, she competes or has competed as a member of an outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meet, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers).

FIGURE 17-22
Exemptions: Squash Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.20.5.3-(a)] National Governing Body Championship [17.20.5.3-(b)] Alumnae Meet [17.20.5.3-(c)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.20.5.3-(d)] Date(s) against Active Division I Members in Hawaii or Alaska [17.20.5.3-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.20.5.3-(f)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.20.5.3-(g)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.20.5.4-(a)]

17.20.8.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining who may practice or compete out of season on an outside amateur team.

17.20.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.20.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.20.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.21 SWIMMING

Regulations for computing the swimming playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.21.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in swimming shall be limited to a 144-day season which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/10/91, effective 8/1/91, Revised: effective 8/1/97/1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.21.1.1 Exception. A student-athlete who is a diver may engage in diving practice sessions beyond the conclusion of the institution's 144-day playing and practice season, provided the student-athlete does not engage in more than a 144-day playing season. (*Adopted: 1/13/98, effective 8/1/98*)

17.21.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in swimming before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.21.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in swimming before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.21.4 End of Regular Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in each segment in swimming by the last date of final examinations for the regular academic year at the institution. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.21.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.21.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of swimming during the institution's swimming playing season to 16 dates of competition (games and scrimmages), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.21.5.3 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.21.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in swimming in one or more foreign countries on one trip during

the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.21.5.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in 16 swimming dates of competition (this limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution). *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.21.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sport of swimming shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-24):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship meet in swimming (or the meet used to determine the conference's automatic entries in an NCAA swimming championships);
- (b) **Season-Ending Tournaments**
 - (1) **NCAA Championship.** Competition in the NCAA swimming championships;
 - (2) **NAIA Championship.** Competition in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) swimming championships;
- (c) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before NCAA championships;
- (d) **Alumni Meet.** One date of competition in swimming each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (e) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition in swimming each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (f) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in swimming in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question;
- (g) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any swimming activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (h) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's swimming team who participate in local celebrity swimming activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.21.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in swimming on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30).

17.21.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.21.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.21.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.21.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility. *(Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/11/94)*

17.21.7 Safety Exception. A coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts in the institution's regular practice facility (without the workouts being considered as countable athletically related activities) when the student-athlete is engaged in swimming and diving. The coach may provide safety instruction and skill instruction, but cannot conduct the individual's workouts. *(Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

FIGURE 17-23
Exemptions: Swimming Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.21.5.3-(a)] NCAA Championship [17.21.5.3-(b)-(1)] NAIA Championship [17.21.5.3-(b)-(2)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.21.5.3-(c)] Alumni Meet [17.21.5.3-(d)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.21.5.3-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.21.5.3-(g)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.21.5.3-(h)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Date(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.21.5.3-(f)-(2)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.21.5.7-(a)]
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

17.21.8 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in swimming who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.21.9 Other Restrictions

17.21.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.21.9.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate swimming competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate swimming squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside swimming team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meets, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate swimming season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). (*Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.21.9.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate swimming who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur swimming team. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.21.9.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's swimming team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.21.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.21.9.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.22 SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING, WOMEN'S

Regulations for computing the synchronized swimming playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.) (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.22.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in synchronized swimming shall be limited to a 132-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.22.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in synchronized swimming before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

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17.22.3 First-Contest Date. A member institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in synchronized swimming before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.22.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in the sport of synchronized swimming by the last day of final exams for the regular academic year at the institution. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.22.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.22.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in synchronized swimming during the institution's synchronized swimming playing season to 15 dates of competition (meets and scrimmages), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.22.5.3 and 17.22.5.4.

17.22.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in synchronized swimming in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.22.5.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in 15 dates of competition in synchronized swimming (this limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution).

17.22.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in synchronized swimming shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-24):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship meet;
- (b) **National Governing Body Championship Competition.** Competition in the national governing body championship;
- (c) **Alumnae Meet.** One date of competition each year with an alumnae team of the institution;
- (d) **Foreign Team in United States.** One date of competition each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (e) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member institution located outside the area in question;
- (f) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (g) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's team who participate in local celebrity activities in synchronized swimming conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.22.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.30).

17.22.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.22.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1.

17.22.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.

17.22.7 Safety Exception. A coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts in the institution's regular practice facility (without the workouts being considered as countable athletically related activities) when the student-athlete is engaged in synchronized swimming. The coach may provide safety or skill instruction but cannot conduct the individual's workouts. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

FIGURE 17-24
Exemptions: Synchronized Swimming Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.22.5.3-(a)] National Governing Body Championship Competition [17.22.5.3-(b)] Alumnae Meet [17.22.5.3-(c)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.22.5.3-(d)] Date(s) against Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.22.5.3-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.22.5.3-(f)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.22.5.3-(g)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.22.5.4-(a)]

17.22.8 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in synchronized swimming who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.

17.22.9 Other Restrictions

17.22.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.22.9.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in synchronized swimming if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate squad or team, she competes or has competed as a member of any outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meet, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers).

17.22.9.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate synchronized swimming who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur synchronized swimming team.

17.22.9.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member—Divisions I and II. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.22.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.22.9.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.23 TEAM HANDBALL

Regulations for computing the team handball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.) *(Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.23.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in team handball shall be limited to a 132-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.23.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in team handball before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.23.3 First-Contest Date. A member institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in team handball before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

Team Handball/17.23.4—17.23.8.1

17.23.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in the sport of team handball by the conclusion of the national governing body team handball championship. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.23.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.23.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in team handball during the institution's playing season to 20 dates of competition (meets and scrimmages) (including not more than three tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition), except for those contests excluded under Bylaws 17.23.5.3 and 17.23.5.4.

17.23.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in team handball in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.23.5.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in 20 dates of competition in team handball (including not more than three tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition) (this limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution).

17.23.5.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-25):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship meet;
- (b) **National Governing Body Championship Competition.** Competition in the national governing body championship;
- (c) **Alumni Meet.** One date of competition each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (d) **Foreign Team in United States.** One date of competition each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (e) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member institution located outside the area in question;
- (f) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (g) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's team who participate in local celebrity activities in team handball conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.23.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.30).

17.23.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.23.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1.

17.23.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.

17.23.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in team handball who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.

17.23.8 Other Restrictions

17.23.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

FIGURE 17-25
Exemptions: Team Handball Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.23.5.3-(a)] National Governing Body Championship [17.23.5.3-(b)] Alumnae Meet [17.23.5.3-(c)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.23.5.3-(d)] Date(s) against Active Members in Hawaii/ Alaska/Puerto Rico [17.23.5.3-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.23.5.3-(f)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.23.5.3-(g)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.23.5.4-(a)]

17.23.8.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in team handball if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate squad or team, she competes or has competed as a member of any outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meet, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers).

17.23.8.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate team handball who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur team handball team.

17.23.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member—Divisions I and II. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.23.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.23.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.24 TENNIS

Regulations for computing the tennis playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.24.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in tennis shall be limited to a 144-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.24.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in tennis before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.24.2.1 Exception. An institution that is a member of a conference that conducts its only conference championship during the fall may commence practice August 24 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. (*Adopted: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

17.24.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (meet or practice meet) with outside competition in tennis before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.24.3.1 Exception. An institution that is a member of a conference that conducts its only conference championship during the fall may conduct its first contest or practice match with outside competition September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday or Sunday. (*Adopted: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

Tennis/17.24.4—17.24.5.2

17.24.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in the sport of tennis by the conclusion of the NCAA tennis championships in the institution's division. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.24.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.24.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. In all divisions, a member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of tennis during the permissible tennis playing season to 25 dates of competition (including not more than seven individual singles and/or doubles tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.24.5.2 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.24.5.1.1 Dual Tennis Match. A dual tennis match in which head-to-head competition occurs between two collegiate institutions or between an intercollegiate team and an outside team shall count as one date of competition.

17.24.5.1.2 Individual Singles or Doubles Tournament Limitations—Institutional. An individual singles or doubles tournament that does not include any team scoring or the recognition of a team champion shall count as a single date of competition (not to exceed the maximum number of tournaments noted in Bylaw 17.24.5.1) for those institutions that have more than three student-athletes competing therein, regardless of the number of days during which tournament competition takes place.

17.24.5.1.3 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in tennis in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.24.5.1.4 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in 25 dates of competition (including not more than seven individual singles and/or doubles tournaments that are counted as a single date of competition). This limitation includes those contests in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution). (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.24.5.1.4.1 Individual Singles or Doubles Tournament Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual singles or doubles tournament that does not include any team scoring or the recognition of a team champion shall count as a single date of competition (in not more than seven tournaments) for the participating individuals, regardless of the number of days during which tournament competition takes place. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.24.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sport of tennis shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-26):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship tournament in tennis (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entries in the NCAA tennis championships);
- (b) **Season-Ending Tournaments**
 - (1) **NCAA Championship.** Competition in the NCAA tennis championships;
 - (2) **NAIA Championship.** Competition in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) tennis championships;
- (c) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before NCAA championships;
- (d) **Alumni Match.** One date of competition in tennis each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (e) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition in tennis each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (f) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in tennis in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question; (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- (g) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any tennis activities in which athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams or in which team members of that sport participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of an institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and

- (h) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's tennis team who participate in local celebrity tennis activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:

- (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
- (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
- (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.24.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in tennis on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30). *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.24.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.24.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.24.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.24.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility. *(Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/11/94)*

17.24.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in tennis who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.24.8 Other Restrictions

17.24.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.24.8.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate tennis competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate tennis squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside tennis team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate tennis season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). *(Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.24.8.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate tennis who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur tennis team. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.24.8.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's tennis team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.24.8.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.24.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.25 TRACK AND FIELD, INDOOR/OUTDOOR

Regulations for computing the indoor/outdoor track and field playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.25.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in indoor and outdoor track and field shall be limited to the following:

- (a) An institution that sponsors only indoor or outdoor track and field (but not both) or does not participate in the minimum number of contests with at least the minimum number of participants required to

FIGURE 17-26
Exemptions: Tennis Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.24.5.2-(a)] NCAA Championship [17.24.5.2-(b)-(1)] NAIA Championship [17.24.5.2-(b)-(2)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.24.5.2-(c)] Alumni Match [17.24.5.2-(d)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.24.5.2-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.24.5.2-(h)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.24.5.2-(i)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Date(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.24.5.2-(f)-(2)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.24.5.6-(a)]
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

count both indoor and outdoor track and field in meeting division membership requirements is limited to a 144-day season for indoor and outdoor track and field combined, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

- (b) An institution that sponsors both indoor and outdoor track and field and participates in at least the minimum number of contests with at least the minimum number of participants required to count both sports in meeting division membership requirements is limited to a 156-day season for indoor and outdoor track and field combined, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.25.1.1 Cross Country/Track and Field Participants. Track and field student-athletes listed as participants for cross country must participate fully in cross country practices. If student-athletes are practicing in track and field events unrelated to the sport of cross country, such practice must be counted in the institution's established segment in the sport of track and field. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

17.25.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in indoor and outdoor track and field before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.25.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (meet or practice meet) with outside competition in indoor and outdoor track and field before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.25.4 End of Regular Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in each segment in indoor and outdoor track and field by the conclusion of the NCAA track and field championships in the institution's division. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.25.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.25.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of indoor/outdoor track and field during the permissible indoor/outdoor track and field playing season to 18 dates of competition except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.25.5.2. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.25.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in indoor and outdoor track and field in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.25.5.1.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 18 dates of competition in indoor/outdoor track

and field. This limitation includes those contests in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.25.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sports of indoor and outdoor track and field shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-27):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship meet in indoor track and field and one such meet in outdoor track and field;
- (b) **Season-Ending Tournaments**
 - (1) **NCAA Championships.** Competition in the NCAA indoor and outdoor track and field championships;
 - (2) **NAIA Championships.** Competition in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) indoor and outdoor track and field championships;
- (c) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before NCAA championships;
- (e) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition in indoor and outdoor track and field each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (f) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in indoor or outdoor track and field in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, by a member located outside the area in question;
- (g) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any indoor or outdoor track and field activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (h) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's indoor/outdoor track and field team who participate in local celebrity track and field activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.25.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in indoor or outdoor track and field on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30).

17.25.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.25.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.25.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.25.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility. *(Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/11/94)*

17.25.7 Safety Exception. A coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts in the institution's regular practice facility (without the workouts being considered as countable athletically related activities) when the student-athlete is engaged in field events. The coach may provide safety or skill instruction but cannot conduct the individual's workouts. *(Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.25.8 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in indoor or outdoor track and field who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

FIGURE 17-27
Exemptions: Track and Field (Indoor/Outdoor) Dates of Competition
2000-01 Academic Year

Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.25.5.2-(a)] NCAA Championship [17.25.5.2-(b)-(1)] NAIA Championship [17.25.5.2-(b)-(2)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.25.5.2-(c)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.25.5.2-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.25.5.2-(g)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.25.5.2-(h)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Date(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Member in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.25.5.2-(f)-(2)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.25.5.6-(a)]
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

17.25.9 Other Restrictions

17.25.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.25.9.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate indoor/outdoor track and field competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate indoor/outdoor track and field squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside indoor/outdoor track and field team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meet, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate indoor/outdoor track and field season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). (*Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.25.9.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate indoor/outdoor track and field who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur indoor/outdoor track and field team. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93*)

17.25.9.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member—Divisions I and II. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's indoor/outdoor track and field team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.25.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.25.9.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.26 VOLLEYBALL

Regulations for computing the volleyball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.26.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in volleyball shall be limited to a 132-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.26.2 Preseason Practice—Women. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in women's volleyball before the date that permits a maximum of 29 practice opportunities (see Bylaw 17.02.11) before the first scheduled intercollegiate contest (excluding the early alumni match). An institution may not begin practice in its segment in which the NCAA championship is not conducted until January 1. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/95, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.26.3 First Date of Competition—Women. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in women's volleyball before September 1 or

the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, except that an alumni match may be played the weekend before September 1 when September 1 does not fall on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday. An institution may not begin competition in its segment in which the NCAA championship is not conducted until January 1. (*Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93, Revised: 1/10/95, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.26.3.1 Exception during the Years 1998-2001. It is permissible for an institution to engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition on August 25 during the years 1998-2000 and August 24 in the year 2001. (*Adopted: 1/13/98*)

17.26.4 Preseason Practice—Men. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in men's volleyball before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.26.5 First Date of Competition—Men. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in men's volleyball before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

17.26.6 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in the sport of volleyball on the following dates:

- (a) Men—The conclusion of the National Collegiate Men's Volleyball Championship.
- (b) Women—The last date of final examinations for the regular academic year at the institution.

17.26.7 Number of Dates of Competition—Women

17.26.7.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of women's volleyball during the institution's women's volleyball playing season to 28 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and four during another segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.26.9. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.26.7.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition—Women. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in women's volleyball in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.26.7.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete—Women. An individual student-athlete may participate each academic year in 28 dates of competition in women's volleyball during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and four during another segment. (This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student-athlete represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution.) (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.26.8 Number of Dates of Competition—Men

17.26.8.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of men's volleyball during the institution's men's volleyball playing season to not more than 28 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and not more than four dates of competition during another segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.26.9. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.26.8.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition—Men. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in men's volleyball in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for those contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.26.8.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete—Men. An individual student-athlete may participate each academic year in not more than 28 dates of competition in men's volleyball during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and not more than four dates of competition during another segment. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.26.9 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sport of volleyball shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-28):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship tournament in volleyball (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA volleyball championship);
- (b) **Conference Playoff.** Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference volleyball

FIGURE 17-28
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Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.26.9.2-(a)] Conference Playoff [17.26.9.2-(b)] Season-Ending Tournament [17.26.9.2-(c)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.26.9.2-(d)] Alumni Game [17.26.9.2-(e)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.26.9.2-(f)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.26.9.2-(h)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.26.9.2-(i)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Date(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.26.9.2-(g)-(2)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.26.13-(a)]

championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA volleyball championship without the date(s) of competition being counted as a postseason tournament;

- (c) **Season-Ending Tournament.** Competition in one season-ending volleyball tournament (i.e., NCAA championship, NAIA championship and National Invitational Volleyball Championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season; (*Revised: 1/10/90*)
- (d) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before an NCAA championship;
- (e) **Alumni Game.** One date of competition in volleyball each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (f) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition in volleyball each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (g) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in volleyball in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by an active member located outside the area in question; (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)
- (h) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any volleyball activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and
- (i) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's volleyball team who participate in local celebrity volleyball activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.26.10 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in volleyball on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30). (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.26.11 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.26.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.26.11.1 Summer Practice. Volleyball practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.

17.26.12 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in volleyball who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.26.13 Other Restrictions

17.26.13.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.26.13.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate volleyball competition for the remainder of the season if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate volleyball squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside volleyball team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate volleyball season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). *(Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.26.13.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate volleyball who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur volleyball team. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.26.13.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's volleyball team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30.

17.26.13.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.26.13.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing volleyball equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.26.2. *(Revised: 1/11/89)*

17.26.13.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking squad pictures. *(Adopted: 1/11/89)*

17.27 WATER POLO

Regulations for computing the men's and women's water polo playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.) *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.27.1 Length of Playing Season. In all divisions, the length of an institution's playing season in water polo shall be limited to a 132-day season, which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and which may exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.27.2 Preseason Practice

- (a) Men—A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in men's water polo before the date that permits a maximum of 21 permissible practice opportunities (see Bylaw 17.02.11) before the first scheduled intercollegiate contest. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
- (b) Women—A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in women's water polo before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. *(Adopted: 1/12/99)*

17.27.3 First Date of Competition

- (a) Men—A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in men's water polo before the first Saturday in September. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
- (b) Women—A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in women's water polo before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. *(Adopted: 1/12/99)*

17.27.4 End of Regular Playing Season

- (a) Men—A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in

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the sport of men's water polo by the last date of final exams for the regular academic year at the institution. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

- (b) **Women**—A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in women's water polo by the conclusion of the National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship or the National Women's Collegiate Water Polo Championship. *(Adopted: 1/12/99)*

17.27.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.27.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of water polo during the institution's water polo playing season to 21 dates of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.27.6.2, 17.27.6.3 and 17.27.6.4. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.27.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in water polo in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.27.5.1.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 21 dates of competition in water polo. This limitation includes those contests in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.27.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sport of water polo shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-29):

- (a) **Conference Championship—Men and Women.** Competition in one conference championship tournament in water polo (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in the National Collegiate Men's Water Polo Championship or the tournament used to determine entry in the National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship or the National Women's Collegiate Water Polo Championship); *(Revised: 1/12/99)*
- (b) **Conference Playoff—Men and Women.** Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference water polo championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in the National Collegiate water polo championships without the game(s) being counted as a postseason tournament;
- (c) **National Governing Body Championship Competition—Women.** For women's water polo, competition in the national governing body championship.
- (d) **NCAA Championship—Men.** Competition in the National Collegiate Men's Water Polo Championship;
- (e) **NCAA Championship—Women.** Competition in the National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship. *(Adopted: 1/12/99)*
- (f) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition—Men.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before the NCAA championship;
- (g) **Alumni Game—Men and Women.** One date of competition in water polo each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (h) **Foreign Team in U.S.—Men and Women.** One date of competition in water polo each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (i) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico—Men and Women.** Any dates of competition, in water polo, in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, against an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico by a member located outside the area in question; *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/12/99)*
- (j) **Fund-Raising Activity—Men and Women.** Any water polo activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation;
- (k) **Celebrity Sports Activity—Men and Women.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's water polo team who participate in local celebrity water polo activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;

FIGURE 17-29
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Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.27.6.2-(a)] Conference Playoff [17.27.6.2-(b)] National Governing Body Championship (women) [17.27.6.2-(c)] NCAA Championship (men) [17.27.6.2-(d)] NCAA Championship (women) [17.27.6.2-(e)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition (men) [17.27.6.2-(f)] Alumni Game [17.27.6.2-(g)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.27.6.2-(h)] Dates against Active Member in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.27.6.2-(i)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.27.6.2-(j)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.27.6.2-(k)] U.S. National Team [17.27.6.2-(l)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.27.6.4-(a)] <u>OR</u> Certified Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions (17.27.6.3) (30.10.3)

- (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
- (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.
- (l) **U.S. National Team—Men and Women.** One date of competition against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body for water polo. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.27.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Certification Required—Men and Women. An institution may exempt not more than one of the certified once-in-four-years exemptions from its maximum number of contests during any academic year and may not repeat participation in that event within a four-year period. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.27.5.4 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Certification Not Required—Men and Women — Foreign Tour. The contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in 30.7 (also see 17.30). In the sport of men's water polo, an institution may not use this exemption in the same year that it uses an exemption set forth in Bylaw 17.27.5.3. (*Adopted: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96*)

17.27.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.27.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.27.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.27.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in water polo who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. (*Revised: 1/10/92*)

17.27.8 Safety Exception. A coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts in the institution's regular practice facility (without the workouts being considered as countable athletically related activities) when the student-athlete is engaged in water polo. The coach may provide safety or skill instruction but cannot conduct the individual's workouts. (*Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91*)

17.27.9 Other Restrictions

17.27.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.27.9.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in the sport of water polo if, after enrollment in college and during

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any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate water polo squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside water polo team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meet, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate water polo season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). *(Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.27.9.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limitations on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining who may practice or compete out of season on an outside amateur water polo team, provided competition on an outside team occurs only during the summer, except as provided in Bylaw 14.7.5. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95)*

17.27.9.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's water polo team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.27.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.27.9.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing water polo equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.27.2. *(Revised: 1/11/89)*

17.27.9.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking squad pictures. *(Adopted: 1/11/89)*

17.28 WRESTLING

Regulations for computing the wrestling playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (Also see Figures 17-1 and 17-2.)

17.28.1 Length of Playing Season. The length of an institution's playing season in wrestling shall be limited to a 144-day season which may consist of two segments (each consisting of consecutive days) and exclude only required off days per Bylaw 17.1.6.4 and official vacation, holiday and final-examination periods during which no practice or competition shall occur. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.28.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in wrestling before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.28.3 First Date of Competition. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) with outside competition in wrestling before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.

17.28.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in the sport of wrestling by the last date of final examinations for the regular academic year at the institution. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.28.5 Number of Dates of Competition

17.28.5.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in the sport of wrestling during the permissible wrestling playing season to 16 dates of competition, which may include not more than two two-day meets that shall each count as a single date of competition each, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.28.5.2 (see Bylaw 20.10.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.28.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in wrestling in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.30), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.28.5.1.2 Maximum Limitations—Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 16 dates of competition in wrestling, which may

include not more than two two-day meets that shall each count as a single date of competition each. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/95 effective 8/1/95, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.28.5.2 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in the sport of wrestling shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-30):

- (a) **Conference Championship.** Competition in one conference championship tournament in wrestling (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entries in an NCAA wrestling championship);
- (b) **Season-Ending Tournaments**
 - (1) **NCAA Championship.** Competition in the NCAA wrestling championships;
 - (2) **NAIA Championship.** Competition in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) wrestling championships;
- (c) **NCAA Championship Play-In Competition.** Competition in play-in contests conducted before NCAA championships;
- (d) **Alumni Meet.** One date of competition in wrestling each year with an alumni team of the institution;
- (e) **Foreign Team in U.S.** One date of competition in wrestling each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;
- (f) **Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico.** Any dates of competition in wrestling in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member institution located outside the area in question; *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*
- (g) **Fund-Raising Activity.** Any wrestling activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution's athletics or other programs, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation;
- (h) **Celebrity Sports Activity.** Competition involving a limit of two student-athletes from a member institution's wrestling team who participate in local celebrity wrestling activities conducted for the purpose of raising funds for charitable organizations, provided:
 - (1) The student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of the participation;
 - (2) The involvement of the student-athletes has the approval of the institution's athletics director; and
 - (3) The activity takes place within a 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus.

17.28.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in wrestling on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a four-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (also see Bylaw 17.30). *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

17.28.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in countable athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.28.1, except as permitted in Bylaws 17.1.5.2 and 17.1.5.2.1. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.28.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.28.6.1.1 Summer-Workout Sessions. A coach may participate in individual-workout sessions with student-athletes from the coach's team during the summer, provided the request for such assistance is initiated by the student-athlete. It is not permissible for the institution to pay fees for the use of a facility. *(Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/11/94)*

17.28.7 Safety Exception. A coach may be present during voluntary individual workouts in the institution's regular practice facility (without the workouts being considered as countable athletically related activities) when the student-athlete is engaged in wrestling. The coach may provide safety or skill instruction but cannot conduct the individual's workouts. *(Adopted: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.28.8 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in wrestling who

FIGURE 17-30
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Annual Exemptions	Conference Championship [17.28.5.2-(a)] NCAA Championship [17.28.5.2-(b)-(1)] NAIA Championship [17.28.5.2-(b)-(2)] NCAA Championship Play-In Competition [17.28.5.2-(c)] Alumni Meet [17.28.5.2-(d)] Foreign Team in U.S. [17.28.5.2-(e)] Fund-Raising Activity [17.28.5.2-(g)] Celebrity Sports Activity [17.28.5.2-(h)]
Additional Annual Exemptions	Date(s) against, or sponsored by, Active Members in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico [17.28.5.2-(f)-(2)]
Once-in-Four-Years Exemptions	Foreign Tour [17.28.5.6-(a)]
Once-in-Three-Years Exemptions	NO EXEMPTIONS

may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (also see Bylaw 13.13). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

17.28.9 Other Restrictions

17.28.9.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition

17.28.9.1.1 In Season. A student-athlete shall be denied eligibility for intercollegiate competition for the remainder of the season in the sport of wrestling if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate wrestling squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside wrestling team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., team invitational meets, exhibition meets or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate wrestling season (see Bylaw 14.7.5 for exceptions and waivers). *(Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.28.9.1.2 Out of Season. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same member institution with eligibility remaining in intercollegiate wrestling who may practice or compete out of season on an outside, amateur wrestling team. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91, Revised: 1/16/93)*

17.28.9.1.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's wrestling team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.5 and 17.30. *(Revised: 1/10/91 effective 8/1/91)*

17.28.9.1.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution.

17.28.9.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. No limitations.

17.29 EXCEPTIONS FOR MEMBER INSTITUTIONS LOCATED IN ALASKA, HAWAII AND PUERTO RICO

17.29.1 Practice and Playing Seasons. Member institutions located in Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico shall not be required to observe the starting dates for the practice and playing seasons set forth in this bylaw, provided the amount of practice and number of contests engaged in by such institutions in each sport do not exceed the amount of practice and number of contests in each sport permitted other members of the Association.

17.29.2 Alaska/Hawaii, Additional Football Contest. Member institutions located in Alaska and Hawaii shall be permitted to exceed, by one, the maximum number of football contests permitted under Bylaw 17.10.5.1 but otherwise shall conform to the same maximum number of contests and dates of competition permitted other members of the Association.

17.30 FOREIGN TOURS

17.30.1 Institutionally Certified Tours. A member institution may participate in competition in any sport on foreign tours certified by the institution in accordance with procedures set forth under Bylaw 30.7. *(Revised: 1/11/89, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

17.30.1.1 Contest Exclusions. Any contest(s) or date(s) of competition played on a certified foreign tour shall be excluded from the limitations set forth in this bylaw.

17.30.1.2 Tour to U.S. Territory or Commonwealth. A tour to a United States commonwealth (e.g., Puerto Rico) or a United States territory (e.g., Virgin Islands) is not considered a foreign tour.

17.30.2 Sanctioned Outside-Team Tours. An outside team that includes student-athletes from more than one member institution may participate in international competition in any sport on a foreign tour. However, any such outside team that includes more than the following number of student-athletes from the same member institution must be certified by the institution in accordance with procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

Baseball	4	Gymnastics	2	Swimming and Diving	5
Basketball	2	Ice Hockey	4	Tennis	2
Cross Country	2	Lacrosse	5	Track and Field	7
Fencing	4	Rifle	2	Volleyball	2
Field Hockey	5	Skiing	4	Water Polo	4
Football	5	Soccer	5	Wrestling	5
Golf	2	Softball	4		

17.30.2.1 Institutional Foreign-Tour Limitations. A member institution shall be charged with its foreign-tour opportunity in a sport and its once-in-four-years limitation.

17.31 PLAYING RULES

Member institutions shall conduct all of their intercollegiate competition in accordance with the playing rules of the Association in all sports for which the NCAA develops playing rules. It is not mandatory that those rules be used in institutional scrimmages or other forms of practice with outside competition.

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18.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

18.01.1 Purpose of NCAA Championships. NCAA championships are intended to provide national-level competition among the best eligible student-athletes and teams of member institutions, with consideration also for approved regional structures for certain championships.

18.01.2 Postseason Competition Not Sponsored by a Collegiate Entity. Competition by member institutions in postseason contests that are not sponsored, promoted, managed and controlled by a collegiate entity shall conform to the requirements set forth in this article and all other applicable legislation of the Association, which may include penalties for violations of these requirements by sponsoring agencies.

18.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

18.02.1 Championships

18.02.1.1 National Collegiate Championship. A National Collegiate Championship for a particular sport is postseason competition conducted by the Association for eligible student-athletes and teams of active member institutions to determine the NCAA champion in that sport for all divisions that do not have a separate division championship in that sport. A National Collegiate Championship is established or continued in accordance with the criteria set forth in Bylaws 18.2.3 and 18.2.4.

18.02.1.2 Division Championship. A division championship for a particular sport is postseason competition conducted by the Association for eligible student-athletes or teams of active member institutions to determine the division champion in that sport. A division championship is established or continued in accordance with the criteria set forth in Bylaws 18.2.3 and 18.2.4.

18.02.2 Mixed Team. A mixed team is a varsity intercollegiate sports team on which at least one individual of each gender competes (see Bylaw 18.2.8.3). *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

18.02.3 Open Date. An open date is a regular weekend playing date before the end of an institution's regular football schedule on which an institution is not playing a game, or a date approved by the Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, to enable an institution to assist financially in meeting an unforeseen hardship situation resulting directly from the institution's intercollegiate athletics activities.

18.02.4 Postseason Football Bowl Game. A postseason football bowl game is a football contest conducted after the regular football season and involving two teams selected because of their regular-season performance (e.g., won-lost record, conference championship). Participation in such events by member institutions is limited to those bowl games that are certified by the Association per Bylaw 18.7.

18.1 REGULATIONS AND AUTHORITY FOR CONDUCT OF CHAMPIONSHIPS

All NCAA championships shall be conducted in accordance with this bylaw and the policies and procedures established by the Championships Committee, which shall establish and revise the policies and procedures governing the administration of NCAA championships, including selection processes, formats and distribution of revenues to participating institutions. NCAA championships shall be under the control, direction and supervision of the appropriate sports committees, subject to the requirements, standards and conditions prescribed in Bylaw 31. *(Revised: 1/10/91)*

18.2 CRITERIA FOR ESTABLISHMENT OR CONTINUATION OF CHAMPIONSHIPS

The establishment or continuation of an NCAA championship in a given sport shall be determined on the basis of the requirements in the following bylaws, with sponsorship of a sport based on the Association's records as of September 30 each year.

18.2.1 National Collegiate Championship. A National Collegiate Championship for which any active member in good standing is eligible (per Bylaw 20.8) may be established by action of all three divisions acting through each division's governance structure, subject to the requirements, standards and conditions regarding the required number of members sponsoring the sport as prescribed in this bylaw. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

18.2.2 Division Championship. A division championship in a particular sport may be established by a majority vote of the Board of Directors in Division I or, in Divisions II and III, a simple majority of all members of that division present and voting at an annual Convention subject to the requirements, standards and conditions regarding the required number of members sponsoring the sport as prescribed in this bylaw. (*Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

18.2.3 Championships Existing during 1993-94. A National Collegiate Championship or a division championship that existed during the 1993-94 academic year may be continued if at least 40 member institutions sponsor the sport. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94*)

18.2.3.1 National Collegiate and Division Championship in Same Sport. If a National Collegiate Championship and a division championship exist in the same sport, sponsorship of the sport in the division in which the division championship is conducted shall not count toward the minimum sponsorship number for the National Collegiate Championship. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94*)

18.2.4 Championships Established during 1994-95 or Later. A National Collegiate Championship or a division championship may be established during the 1994-95 academic year or thereafter if at least 50 institutions sponsor the sport. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94*)

18.2.4.1 Exception for Women's Sports during the 1994-95 through 2003-04 Academic Years. A National Collegiate Championship or a division championship may be established during the 1994-95 through 2003-04 academic years in a women's sport in which the Association does not already conduct a championship if at least 40 institutions sponsor the sport. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/13/98 effective 8/1/98*)

18.2.4.2 Sponsorship Criteria

18.2.4.2.1 Minimum Period. In men's sports, the applicable minimum sponsorship number must exist for two consecutive academic years in order for a championship to be established. Legislation to establish the championship may be proposed during the second year in which the minimum sponsorship number exists. In women's sports, the applicable minimum sponsorship number must exist for one academic year in order for a championship to be established. Legislation to establish the championship may be proposed during the year in which the minimum sponsorship number exists. Varsity sports sponsored before August 1, 1994, shall count toward the minimum one- or two-year sponsorship requirement. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)

18.2.4.2.2 National Collegiate and Division Championship in Same Sport. If a National Collegiate Championship and a division championship exist in the same sport, sponsorship of the sport in the division in which the division championship is conducted shall not count toward the minimum sponsorship number for the National Collegiate Championship. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94*)

18.2.5 Establishment of Single Championship in Sport. If only one championship is established or continued in accordance with Bylaws 18.2.3 and 18.2.4, it shall be a National Collegiate Championship for which any active member institution in good standing can be eligible.

18.2.6 Establishment of Three Championships in Sport. If a National Collegiate Championship and two division championships exist in the same sport, the National Collegiate Championship automatically shall become a division championship for the remaining division that does not sponsor a division championship in that sport.

18.2.7 Establishment of Two Championships in Sport. If a National Collegiate Championship and one division championship exist in the same sport, only the members of the division sponsoring the division championship may participate in the division championship, and that division's membership may not participate in the National Collegiate Championship in that sport.

18.2.8 Determination of Sponsorship Requirements

18.2.8.1 Single-Gender Athletics Programs. For purposes of meeting the required minimums set

forth in Bylaws 18.2.3 and 18.2.4, member institutions sponsoring no varsity intercollegiate athletics programs for men shall not be included in making calculations concerning men's championships, and member institutions sponsoring no varsity intercollegiate athletics programs for women shall not be included in making calculations concerning women's championships.

18.2.8.2 Separate Men's and Women's Teams, Same Sport. For purposes of meeting the required minimums set forth in Bylaws 18.2.3 and 18.2.4 for a combined men's and women's championship, separate varsity intercollegiate men's and women's teams in the same sport at a member institution shall be counted separately.

18.2.8.3 Mixed Team. For purposes of meeting the required minimums set forth in Bylaws 18.2.3 and 18.2.4, a mixed team (as defined in Bylaw 18.02.2) shall be counted as one team. A mixed team shall count toward the minimum-sponsorship percentage for men's championships.

18.2.9 Subdivision Requirements. If a division subdivides for the administration of a sport, resulting in less than the applicable minimum number of the division's active members sponsoring the sport on a varsity intercollegiate basis in that subdivision, the subdivision shall meet the requirement within three years of the date the subdivision was created. It may establish and conduct a championship in the interim. *(Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94)*

18.2.10 Failure to Meet Minimum Sponsorship Requirements. A championship shall be discontinued automatically at the conclusion of the academic year in which it falls below the applicable minimum sponsorship number set forth in Bylaws 18.2.3 or 18.2.4. *(Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94)*

18.2.10.1 National Collegiate and Division Championships Exception. During the 1994-95, 1995-96, 1996-97, 1997-98 and 1998-99 academic years, an existing National Collegiate Championship or division championship shall not be canceled, nor shall transportation and per diem expenses be discontinued, due to that championship's failure to meet the minimum-numerical-sponsorship requirements for maintaining the championship. On the expiration of this legislative exception, if during the 1998-99 period a championship fell below the applicable minimum-numerical-sponsorship requirement set forth in Bylaws 18.2.3 or 18.2.4, it shall be discontinued automatically. *(Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/10/95, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

18.2.10.2 Exception—Women's Championships Existing during 1993-94. A National Collegiate Championship or a division championship for women that existed during the 1993-94 academic year (per Bylaw 18.2.3) shall continue through the 1998-99 academic year, even if fewer than 40 institutions sponsor the sport. *(Adopted: 1/10/95)*

18.2.10.3 Exception—Olympic Sports. A National Collegiate Championship or a division championship in any Olympic sport shall be exempt from the minimum-sponsorship-percentage requirements of Bylaws 18.2.3 and 18.2.4. The membership may adopt specific legislation to discontinue the championship in an Olympic sport. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

18.2.10.4 Exception—Men's and Women's Lacrosse. A National Collegiate Championship or division championship in the sports of men's and women's lacrosse shall be exempt from the minimum-sponsorship requirements of Bylaws 18.2.3 and 18.2.4. *(Adopted: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/00)*

18.3 CURRENT CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Association will administer 84 national championships in 2000-01. Ten are National Collegiate Championships. Additionally, there are 25 Division I championships, 24 Division II championships and 25 Division III championships. (See Bylaw 31.02.2 for information about the classification and terminology of championships and see Constitution 5.3.10.1 and 5.3.10.2 for the voting requirements for the establishment of a new championship.) The championships for 2000-01 are as follows: *(Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/92, 1/9/96)*

18.3.1 National Collegiate Championships (10)

Men (3)	Men and Women (3)	Women (4)
Gymnastics	Fencing	Gymnastics
Volleyball	Rifle	Ice Hockey <i>(Adopted: 1/10/00)</i>
Water Polo	Skiing	Rowing <i>(Adopted: 1/9/96)</i>
		Water Polo <i>(Adopted: 1/10/00)</i>

Current Championships/18.3.2—18.3.4

18.3.2 NCAA Division I Championships (25)

Men (13)

Baseball
Basketball
Cross Country
I-AA Football
Golf
Ice Hockey
Lacrosse
Soccer
Swimming and Diving
Tennis
Indoor Track and Field
Outdoor Track and Field
Wrestling

Women (12)

Basketball
Cross Country
Field Hockey
Golf
Lacrosse
Soccer
Softball
Swimming and Diving
Tennis
Indoor Track and Field
Outdoor Track and Field
Volleyball

18.3.3 NCAA Division II Championships (24)

Men (12)

Baseball
Basketball
Cross Country
Football
Golf
Lacrosse
Soccer
Swimming and Diving
Tennis
Indoor Track and Field
Outdoor Track and Field
Wrestling

Women (12)

Basketball
Cross Country
Field Hockey
Golf (*Revised: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99*)
Lacrosse (*Revised: 1/7/00, effective 8/1/00*)
Soccer
Softball
Swimming and Diving
Tennis
Indoor Track and Field
Outdoor Track and Field
Volleyball

18.3.4 NCAA Division III Championships (25)

Men (13)

Baseball
Basketball
Cross Country
Football
Golf
Ice Hockey
Lacrosse
Soccer
Swimming and Diving
Tennis
Indoor Track and Field
Outdoor Track and Field
Wrestling

Women (12)

Basketball
Cross Country
Field Hockey
Golf
Lacrosse
Soccer
Softball
Swimming and Diving
Tennis
Indoor Track and Field
Outdoor Track and Field
Volleyball

18.4 ELIGIBILITY FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

18.4.1 Student-Athlete Eligibility. To be eligible for NCAA championships, a student-athlete shall meet all applicable individual-eligibility requirements set forth in NCAA legislation. The general and academic eligibility requirements are set forth in detail in Bylaw 14.

18.4.1.1 Institution's Responsibility. The responsibility of an institution to withhold from all intercollegiate competition a student-athlete who is ineligible under any NCAA legislation is set forth in Bylaw 14.11.1.

18.4.1.2 Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee Authority. The Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee shall have initial authority to determine all matters pertaining to the eligibility of student-athletes competing in the various NCAA championships and to act upon all appeals concerning the eligibility of student-athletes submitted by member institutions (see Bylaw 14.12).

18.4.1.3 Protest of Eligibility Status. If a student-athlete has been certified by the institution as eligible to compete in an NCAA championship and the student-athlete's eligibility is protested, the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee shall not rule on such a protest received during the period beginning 24 hours before the event and ending with the conclusion of the event. (See Bylaw 31.2.2.3 regarding protests received during a break in the continuity of a championship.)

18.4.1.4 Amateur-Status Certification. If requested by the Championships Committee, the student-athlete shall certify his or her amateur standing under the provisions of Bylaw 12 by signing an affidavit that is administered by the chair of the games committee and taken on a form prescribed by the Championships Committee.

18.4.1.5 Ineligibility for Use of Banned Drugs. A student-athlete who is found to have used a substance on the list of banned drugs, as set forth in Bylaw 31.2.3.1, shall be declared ineligible for further participation in postseason and regular-season competition in accordance with the ineligibility provisions in Bylaw 18.4.1.5.1. The certifying institution may appeal to the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee for restoration of the student-athlete's eligibility, if the institution concludes that circumstances warrant restoration. (*Revised: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/90*)

18.4.1.5.1 Duration of Ineligibility. A student-athlete who tests positive (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Executive Committee) shall be charged with the loss of a minimum of one season of competition in all sports, if the season of competition has not yet begun for that student-athlete or a minimum of the equivalent of one full season of competition in all sports, if the student-athlete tests positive during his or her season of competition (i.e., the remainder of contests in the current season and contests in the subsequent season up to the period of time in which the student-athlete was declared ineligible during the previous year). The student-athlete shall remain ineligible for all regular-season and postseason competition during the time period ending one calendar year (i.e., 365 days) after the student-athlete's positive drug test and until the student-athlete retests negative (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Executive Committee) and the student-athlete's eligibility is restored by the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee. If the student-athlete transfers to another NCAA institution while ineligible, the institution from which the student-athlete transferred must notify the institution that the student-athlete is ineligible. If the student-athlete tests positive a second time for the use of any drug, other than a "street drug" as defined in Bylaw 31.2.3.1, he or she shall lose all remaining regular-season and postseason eligibility in all sports. If the student-athlete tests positive for the use of a "street drug" after being restored to eligibility, he or she shall be charged with the loss of a minimum of one additional season of competition in all sports and also shall remain ineligible for regular-season and postseason competition at least through the next calendar year. In addition, a student-athlete who has previously tested positive for performance-enhancing drugs as a result of a drug test administered by any other athletics organization and subsequently tests positive (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Executive Committee) shall be subject to these ineligibility provisions. (*Revised: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/90, Revised: 1/16/93, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

18.4.1.5.2 Banned Drugs and Drug-Testing Methods. The Executive Committee shall adopt a list of banned drugs and shall authorize methods for drug testing of student-athletes on a year-round basis. The list of banned drugs and the procedure for informing member institutions about authorized methods for drug testing are set forth in Bylaws 31.2.3.1 and 31.2.3.3, respectively. (*Revised: 1/10/90 effective 8/1/90*)

18.4.1.5.3 Non-NCAA Athletics Organization's Positive Drug Test. The Executive Committee shall authorize methods for drug testing any student-athlete who has disclosed in the student-athlete statement (see Bylaw 14.1.3.1) that he or she has a positive drug test administered by a non-NCAA athletics organization. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

Eligibility for Championships/18.4.2—Automatic Qualification/18.5.1

18.4.2 Institutional Eligibility

18.4.2.1 General Institutional Requirements. To be eligible to enter a team or an individual in NCAA championship competition, an institution shall:

- (a) Be an active member in good standing in the appropriate division, or have its sport so classified, and be eligible under the rules of the member conference of which it is a member;
- (b) Have paid its membership dues for the current year in accordance with the deadlines set forth in Bylaw 31.2.1.2;
- (c) Designate (in accordance with Bylaw 20) its athletics program as Division I, Division II or Division III for competition and possible eligibility for championships in those intercollegiate sports recognized by the NCAA;
- (d) Certify, through its chief executive officer on a form approved by the Management Council, the institution's compliance with NCAA legislation. The certification shall be completed not later than September 15 (see Bylaw 30.3 for details about information required on the certification form); *(Revised: 1/10/95)*
- (e) Have confirmed annually its sponsorship of a varsity intercollegiate team in the sport by so reporting on the NCAA official information form; and *(Adopted: 1/10/90)*
- (f) Refrain from entering a student-athlete as an individual or as a member of a team in an NCAA championship, if it is acknowledged by the institution or established through the Association's enforcement procedures that the institution or representative(s) of its athletics interests violated NCAA regulations in the recruiting of the student-athlete. The institution may appeal to the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee for restoration of the student-athlete's eligibility (see Bylaw 14.12).

18.4.2.1.1 Additional Requirements. Other requirements for institutional eligibility for championships are set forth in Bylaw 31.2.1.

18.4.2.1.2 Division II or Division III Institution Petitioning for Division I Classification. A Division II or Division III institution petitioning for Division I institutional membership or eligibility in a sport (in accordance with Bylaw 20) shall have operated in conformity with the requirements of Bylaw 18.4.2.2-(a) for a period of two years before the effective date of its Division I membership or be ineligible for Division I championships.

18.4.2.2 Division II Championships. To be eligible to enter a team or an individual in an NCAA championship, a Division II member institution shall, in addition to meeting the general institutional eligibility requirements set forth in Bylaw 18.4.2.1:

- (a) Limit its athletically related grant-in-aid awards and eligibility for participation in practice or competition to student-athletes who meet the following requirements:
 - (1) Freshman eligibility requirements for financial aid, practice and competition set forth in Bylaws 14.3.1 and 14.3.2, and
 - (2) Transfer eligibility requirements for financial aid, practice and competition set forth in Bylaws 14.5.4.2 and 14.5.5.1.
- (b) Be in conformance with the Division II maximum awards provisions in that sport as set forth in Bylaw 15.5.3.1.
- (c) Report annually to the NCAA through the chief executive officer, on a form approved by the Management Council, the admissions and graduation-rate data specified in Bylaw 30.1. The data shall be received in the national office not later than January 2. Any data received after that date shall appear on a form postmarked not later than December 26. *(Adopted: 1/10/90 effective immediately for data collection and effective 7/1/93 for disclosure, Revised: 1/10/92)*

18.4.2.2.1 Exemption from Maximum Awards Limitation. A Division II member institution may be exempt from the Division II maximum awards limitation in a sport provided the institution:

- (a) Files a declaration for such an exemption with the national office. The declaration shall be received in the national office not later than June 1 before the academic year for which the exemption is sought. A declaration received after that date shall be postmarked not later than May 25;
- (b) Complies with the appropriate Division I maximum awards limits for that year; and
- (c) Is not eligible for competition in the Division II championship (see Bylaw 20.8.1 for sports that conduct one national collegiate championship).

18.5 AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION BY CONFERENCE

18.5.1 Divisions II and III. To be eligible for automatic qualification into any Division II or Division III championship, a conference shall meet the requirements set forth in Bylaw 31.3.5.

18.6 PLAYING RULES FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

In sports in which the Association maintains rules committees, the rules adopted by said committees shall govern the conduct of all NCAA-sponsored events in those sports. In those sports in which the Association does not maintain rules committees, the rules to be used are specified in Bylaw 31.1.6.

18.7 POSTSEASON FOOTBALL

18.7.1 Permissible Football Games. The only football games in which a member institution may compete are:

- (a) Games scheduled as to the identity of a participating college before the beginning of the regular football season of the institution for any academic year, including not only games for which the identity of one participating college is known, but also one for which the institution's opponent is not known at the time of scheduling;
- (b) Any football game scheduled between two colleges [which is to be played on a common and regular open date (as defined in Bylaw 18.02.3) of their regular football seasons, on the campus or in the regular playing stadium of either team], even if it is scheduled after the beginning of either participant's football season;
- (c) Games that are part of the NCAA championships for Division I-AA, Division II and Division III members;
- (d) Games that are part of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics football championships;
- (e) A conference championship game on an open date during the traditional fall season, provided the game is played (as opposed to scheduled) the week before the first round of an NCAA football championship date and provided the game is listed on the schedules of all conference members; and
- (f) Certified postseason bowl games that meet all requirements and conditions set forth in Bylaw 30.9.

18.7.1.1 Institutional Eligibility—Written Report. The director of athletics of a member institution that participates in a postseason bowl game shall submit by the subsequent February 1 a written report on the event as specified in Bylaw 30.9.1. (*Adopted: 1/10/90*)

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19.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

19.01.1 Mission of NCAA Enforcement Program. It shall be the mission of the NCAA enforcement program to eliminate violations of NCAA rules and impose appropriate penalties should violations occur. The program is committed to fairness of procedures and the timely and equitable resolution of infractions cases. The achievement of these objectives is essential to the conduct of a viable and effective enforcement program. Further, an important consideration in imposing penalties is to provide fairness to uninvolved student-athletes, coaches, administrators, competitors and other institutions. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

19.01.2 Exemplary Conduct. Individuals employed by or associated with member institutions for the administration, the conduct or the coaching of intercollegiate athletics are, in the final analysis, teachers of young people. Their responsibility is an affirmative one, and they must do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their own moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by a fine example. Much more is expected of them than of the less critically placed citizen.

19.01.3 Responsibility to Cooperate. All representatives of member institutions shall cooperate fully with the NCAA enforcement staff, Committee on Infractions, Infractions Appeals Committee and Management Council to further the objectives of the Association and its enforcement program. The enforcement policies and procedures are an essential part of the intercollegiate athletics program of each member institution and require full and complete disclosure by all institutional representatives of any relevant information requested by the NCAA enforcement staff, Committee on Infractions or Infractions Appeals Committee during the course of an inquiry.

19.01.4 Violations by Institutional Staff Members. Institutional staff members found in violation of NCAA regulations shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in the provisions of the NCAA enforcement procedures, whether such violations occurred at the certifying institution or during the individual's previous employment at another member institution.

19.01.5 Nature of Penalty Structure. As a guiding principle, a penalty imposed under NCAA enforcement policies and procedures should be broad and severe if the violation or violations reflect a general disregard for the governing rules; in those instances in which the violation or violations are isolated and of relative insignificance, then the NCAA penalty shall be specific and limited. Previous violations of NCAA legislation shall be a contributing factor in determining the degree of penalty.

19.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

19.02.1 Show-Cause Order. A show-cause order is one that requires a member institution to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Committee on Infractions (or the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3) why it should not be subject to a penalty (or additional penalty) for not taking appropriate disciplinary or corrective action against an institutional staff member or representative of the institution's athletics interests identified by the committee as having been involved in a violation of NCAA regulations that has been found by the committee. *(Revised: 1/10/95)*

19.02.2 Types of Violations

19.02.2.1 Violation, Secondary. A secondary violation is one that provides only a limited recruiting or competitive advantage and that is isolated or inadvertent in nature. Repeated secondary violations by a member institution also may be identified by the vice-president for enforcement services as a major viola-

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tion. If the Committee on Infractions determines that repeated secondary violations have occurred and that the institution is not taking appropriate action to prevent such violations, a penalty appropriate for a major violation may be imposed. *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

19.02.2.2 Violation, Major. All violations other than secondary violations are major violations, specifically including those that provide an extensive recruiting or competitive advantage. *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

19.02.3 New Evidence. New evidence is evidence that could not reasonably be ascertained before the Committee on Infractions hearing. *(Adopted: 1/6/96)*

19.1 COMMITTEE ON INFRACTIONS

The Management Council shall appoint a Committee on Infractions, which shall be responsible for administration of the NCAA enforcement program.

19.1.1 Composition. The Division II Committee on Infractions shall consist of five members, including one member of the Division II Management Council, and one individual from the general public who is not associated with a collegiate institution, conference, professional or similar sports organization, or who represents coaches or athletes in any capacity. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

19.1.1.1 Term of Office. A member shall serve a four-year term and shall be eligible for immediate reelection. A member may not serve more than two terms on the committee. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

19.1.2 Authority of Committee. Disciplinary or corrective actions other than suspension or termination of membership may be effected during the period between the Division II business session of the annual Convention by members of the Committee on Infractions present and voting at any duly called meeting, provided the call of such a meeting shall have contained notice of the situation presenting the disciplinary problem. Actions of the committee in cases involving major violations, however, shall be subject to review by the Division II Management Council per Bylaw 19.3, on appeal. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

19.1.2.1 Authority of Vice-President for Enforcement and Student-Athlete Reinstatement. On review of information developed by the enforcement staff or self-reported by the member institution, the vice-president for enforcement services shall identify the charges as involving alleged major or secondary violations, or repeated secondary violations that should be viewed as a major violation, subject to approval by the committee chair or another member of the committee designated by the chair. Disciplinary or corrective actions in the case of secondary violations may be effected by the vice-president for enforcement services, subject to approval by the committee chair or another member of the committee designated by the chair. Said actions shall be taken in accordance with the provisions of the enforcement policies and procedures and shall be subject to review by the committee on appeal. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

19.1.2.2 Authority of Committee Chair. In the interim between meetings of the committee, the chair shall be empowered to act on behalf of the committee, subject to committee approval at its next meeting. If at any time, at a meeting or between meetings, the chair is unavailable to act as such, the member of the committee longest in service who is available is empowered to exercise the functions of the chair. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

19.1.2.3 Authority of Management Council. The Management Council per Bylaw 19.3 shall hear and act on an institution's appeal of the findings of major violations by the committee. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

19.1.3 Duties. The committee shall:

- (a) Consider complaints that may be filed with the Association charging the failure of any Division II member to maintain the academic or athletics standards required for membership or the failure of any Division II member to meet the conditions and obligations of membership in the Association;
- (b) Formulate and revise in accordance with the requirements of Bylaw 19.4, a statement of its established operating policies and procedures, including investigative guidelines (see Bylaw 32);
- (c) Determine facts related to alleged violations and find violations of NCAA rules and requirements;
- (d) Refer consideration of a case or any portion of a case involving disputed facts to a hearing officer;
- (e) Impose an appropriate penalty or 'show-cause' requirement on a Division II member found to be involved in a major violation (or on appeal on a Division II member found to be involved in a secondary violation) or recommend to the Division II Presidents Council suspension or termination of membership; and
- (f) Carry out any other duties directly related to the administration of the Division II enforcement program. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

19.2 INDEPENDENT HEARING OFFICERS

19.2.1 **Appointment and Duties.** The Management Council shall appoint hearing officers who, after the hearing process in major infractions cases (see Bylaw 32.7), shall be responsible for reviewing disputed facts concerning one or more alleged violations and present findings of fact to the Committee on Infractions and the parties who participate in the hearing before the hearing officer. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

19.2.2 **Decision to Use Hearing Officer.** The Committee on Infractions has the sole discretion to determine whether to use a hearing officer in the infractions process. The committee may exercise this discretion only when one or more of the following factors are present: (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

- (a) The committee determines that discussion before the committee would be protracted and counterproductive to the committee's efficient consideration of the case;
- (b) The committee determines that use of a hearing officer would be an aid in resolving facts that were in dispute before the committee's consideration of the case; or
- (c) The institution or an individual identified in Bylaws 32.5.6 or 32.5.7 requests the use of a hearing officer to consider the facts in dispute, and the committee determines that the use of a hearing officer would be in the best interests of fact finding.

19.3 APPEALS COMMITTEES

19.3.1 **Authority of Management Council.** The Management Council shall hear and act on an institution's appeal of the findings of major violations by the Division II Committee on Infractions.

19.4 ESTABLISHMENT AND REVISION OF ENFORCEMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

19.4.1 **Amendment by Committee and Approval by Management Council.** The Committee on Infractions may establish or amend the policies and procedures in regard to issues other than those concerning institutional penalties, restitution, and committee duties and structure. A member institution shall be provided notice of alleged NCAA rules violations for which it is charged before any penalty is imposed, as well as the opportunity to appear before the committee and the opportunity to appeal the committee's findings of major violations or penalties (see Bylaws 19.5 and 19.6). The policies and procedures governing the administration of the Association's enforcement program, as set forth in Bylaw 32, are subject to review and approval by the Management Council at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

19.4.1.1 Notification to Membership. To the extent that the enforcement policies and procedures are revised, any member institution involved in the processing of an infractions case shall be notified immediately of the change and the general membership shall be advised through The NCAA News.

19.4.1.2 Review by Convention. Policies and procedures established by the Committee on Infractions, per Bylaw 19.4.1, are subject to review and approval by the membership at the next annual Convention (see Constitution 5.2.3.3).

19.4.2 **Amendment by Convention.** The enforcement policies and procedures set forth in Bylaw 32 may be amended at any annual or special Convention in accordance with the procedures set forth in Constitution 5.3 for general provisions.

19.5 NOTICE OF CHARGES AND OPPORTUNITY TO APPEAR

19.5.1 **For Major Violations.** A member under investigation for major violations shall be given the following:

- (a) Notice of any specific charges against it and the facts upon which such charges are based; and
- (b) An opportunity to appear before the Committee on Infractions (or the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3) to answer such charges by the production of evidence (see Bylaw 19.7). (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95*)

19.5.2 **For Secondary Violations.** A member under investigation for secondary violations shall be given the following:

- (a) Notice of any specific charges against it and the facts on which such charges are based; and
- (b) An opportunity to provide a written response to the vice-president for enforcement services (or to appear before the Committee on Infractions on appeal) to answer such charges by the production of evidence (see Bylaw 19.7).

19.5.3 **New Findings.** If a member appears before the committee to discuss its response to the official inquiry, the hearing shall be directed toward the general scope of the official inquiry but shall not preclude

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the committee from finding any violation resulting from information developed or discussed during the hearing.

19.6 PENALTIES

19.6.1 Penalties for Secondary Violations. The vice-president for enforcement services, on approval by the chair or another member of the Committee on Infractions designated by the chair, or the committee may determine that no penalty is warranted in a secondary case, that an institutional- or conference-determined penalty is satisfactory or, if appropriate, impose a penalty. Among the disciplinary measures are: (*Revised: 1/11/94*)

- (a) Termination of the recruitment of a prospect by the institution or, if the prospect enrolls (or has enrolled) in the institution, permanent ineligibility to represent the institution in intercollegiate competition (unless eligibility is restored by the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee on appeal);
- (b) Forfeiture of contests in which an ineligible student-athlete participated;
- (c) Prohibition of the head coach or other staff members in the involved sport from participating in any off-campus recruiting activities for up to one year; (*Revised: 1/11/94*)
- (d) An institutional fine for each violation, with the monetary penalty ranging in total from \$500 to \$5,000;
- (e) A limited reduction in the number of financial aid awards that may be awarded during a specified period in the sport involved to the maximum extent of 20 percent of the maximum number of awards normally permissible in that sport;
- (f) Institutional recertification that its current athletics policies and practices conform to all requirements of NCAA regulations;
- (g) Suspension of the head coach or other staff members for one or more competitions; (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)
- (h) Public reprimand (to be invoked only in situations where the Committee on Infractions or the vice-president for enforcement services, on approval by the committee, determines that a penalty, in addition to any institutional- or conference-determined penalty, is warranted); and (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)
- (i) Requirement that a member institution that has been found in violation, or that has an athletics department staff member who has been found in violation of the provisions of NCAA legislation while representing another institution, show cause why a penalty or an additional penalty should not be imposed if it does not take appropriate disciplinary or corrective action against the athletics department personnel involved, any other institutional employee, if the circumstances warrant, or representatives of the institution's athletics interests. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

19.6.2 Penalties for Major Violations

19.6.2.1 Presumptive Penalty. The presumptive penalty for a major violation, subject to exceptions authorized by the Committee on Infractions on the basis of specifically stated reasons, shall include all of the following: (*Revised: 1/11/94*)

- (a) A two-year probationary period (including a periodic in-person monitoring system and written institutional reports);
- (b) The reduction in the number of expense-paid recruiting visits to the institution in the involved sport for one recruiting year; (*Revised: 1/11/94*)
- (c) A requirement that all coaching staff members in the sport be prohibited from engaging in any off-campus recruiting activities for up to one recruiting year; (*Revised: 1/11/94*)
- (d) A requirement that all institutional staff members determined by the committee knowingly to have engaged in or condoned a major violation be subject to: (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)
 - (1) Termination of employment;
 - (2) Suspension without pay for at least one year;
 - (3) Reassignment of duties within the institution to a position that does not include contact with prospective or enrolled student-athletes or representatives of the institution's athletics interests for at least one year; or
 - (4) Other disciplinary action approved by the committee.
- (e) A reduction in the number of financial aid awards; (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)
- (f) Sanctions precluding postseason competition in the sport, particularly in those cases in which: (*Revised: 1/11/94*)
 - (1) Involved individuals remain active in the program; (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

- (2) A significant competitive advantage results from the violation(s); or *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
- (3) The violation(s) reflect a lack of institutional control. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
- (g) Institutional recertification that the current athletics policies and practices conform to all requirements of NCAA regulations.

19.6.2.2 Disciplinary Measures. In addition to those penalties prescribed for secondary violations, among the disciplinary measures, singly or in combination, that may be adopted by the committee (or the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3) and imposed against an institution for major violations are: *(Revised: 1/16/93, 1/11/94, 1/10/95)*

- (a) Public reprimand and censure; *(Revised: 1/11/94)*
- (b) Probation for at least one year; *(Revised: 1/11/94)*
- (c) A reduction in the number of financial aid awards (as defined in Bylaw 15.02.4.1) that may be awarded during a specified period;
- (d) Prohibition against the recruitment of prospective student-athletes for a sport or sports for a specified period;
- (e) All or any combination of the following penalties:
 - (1) Individual records and performances shall be vacated or stricken; Or *(Revised: 1/11/94)*
 - (2) Team records and performances shall be vacated or stricken; or *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
 - (3) Individual or team awards shall be returned to the Association.
- (f) Ineligibility for any television programs involving coverage of the institution's intercollegiate athletics team or teams in the sport or sports in which the violations occurred; *(Revised: 1/10/92)*
- (g) Forfeiture of all or a portion of the institution's share of the broad-based revenue distribution monies for a specified period; *(Adopted: 1/10/92)*
- (h) Ineligibility for invitational and postseason meets and tournaments;
- (i) Ineligibility for one or more NCAA championship events;
- (j) Prohibition against an intercollegiate sports team or teams participating against outside competition for a specified period;
- (k) Ineligibility of the member to vote or its personnel to serve on committees of the Association, or both;
- (l) Requirement that a member institution that has been found in violation, or that has an athletics department staff member who has been found in violation of the provisions of NCAA legislation while representing another institution, show cause why:
 - (1) A penalty or an additional penalty should not be imposed if, in the opinion of the committee (or the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3), it does not take appropriate disciplinary or corrective action against athletics department personnel involved in the infractions case, any other institutional employee, if the circumstances warrant, or representatives of the institution's athletics interests; or *(Revised: 1/10/95)*
 - (2) A recommendation should not be made to the membership that the institution's membership in the Association be suspended or terminated if, in the opinion of the committee (or the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3), it does not take appropriate disciplinary or corrective action against the head coach of the sport involved, any other institutional employee, if the circumstances warrant, or representatives of the institution's athletics interests; or *(Revised: 1/10/95)*
 - (3) "Appropriate disciplinary or corrective action" as specified in subparagraphs (1) and (2) above may include, for example, termination of the coaching contract of the head coach and any assistants involved; suspension or termination of the employment status of any other institutional employee who may be involved; severance of relations with any representative of the institution's athletics interests who may be involved; the debarment of the head or assistant coach from any coaching, recruiting or speaking engagements for a specified period; and the prohibition of all recruiting in a specified sport for a specified period; or
 - (4) The nature and extent of such action shall be the determination of the institution after due notice and hearing to the individuals concerned, but the determination of whether or not the action is appropriate in the fulfillment of NCAA policies and principles, and its resulting effect on any institutional penalty, shall be solely that of the committee (or the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3); or *(Revised: 1/10/95)*
 - (5) Where this requirement is made, the institution shall show cause or, in the alternative, shall show the appropriate disciplinary or corrective action taken, in writing, to the committee (or the

appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3) within 15 days. The committee (or the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3) may, without further hearing, determine on the basis of such writing whether or not in its opinion appropriate disciplinary or corrective action has been taken and may impose a penalty or additional penalty; take no further action; or, by notice to the institution, conduct a further hearing at a later date before making a final determination. *(Revised: 1/10/95)*

19.6.2.2.1 Opportunity to Appear. In the event the committee considers additional penalties to be imposed on an institution in accordance with Bylaw 19.6.2.1-(1) above, the involved institution shall be provided the opportunity to appear before the committee; further, the institution shall be provided the opportunity to appeal (per Bylaw 19.7.2) any additional penalty imposed by the committee.

19.6.2.3 Repeat Violators

19.6.2.3.1 Time Period. An institution shall be considered a “repeat” violator, if the Committee on Infractions finds that a major violation has occurred within five years of the starting date of a major penalty. For this provision to apply, at least one major violation must have occurred within five years after the starting date of the penalties in the previous case. It shall not be necessary that the Committee on Infractions’ hearing be conducted or its report issued within the five-year period. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

19.6.2.3.2 Repeat-Violator Penalties. In addition to the penalties identified for a major violation, the minimum penalty for a repeat violator, subject to exceptions authorized by the Committee on Infractions on the basis of specifically stated reasons, may include any or all of the following: *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

- (a) The prohibition of some or all outside competition in the sport involved in the latest major violation for one or two sports seasons and the prohibition of all coaching staff members in that sport from involvement directly or indirectly in any coaching activities at the institution during that period;
- (b) The elimination of all initial grants-in-aid and all recruiting activities in the sport involved in the latest major violation in question for a two-year period;
- (c) The requirement that all institutional staff members serving on the Presidents Council, Management Council, Executive Committee or other committees of the Association resign those positions, it being understood that all institutional representatives shall be ineligible to serve on any NCAA committee for a period of four years; and
- (d) The requirement that the institution relinquish its voting privilege in the Association for a four-year period.

19.6.2.4 Probationary Periods

19.6.2.4.1 Conditions of Probation. The committee (or the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3) may identify possible conditions that an institution must satisfy during a probationary period. Such conditions shall be designed on a case-by-case basis to focus on the institution’s administrative weaknesses detected in the case and shall include, but not be limited to, written reports from the institution pertaining to areas of concern to the committee (or the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3), in-person reviews of the institution’s athletics policies and practices by the NCAA administrator for the Committee on Infractions, implementation of educational or deterrent programs, and audits for specific programs or teams. If the institution fails to satisfy such conditions, the committee (or the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3) may reconsider the penalties in the case and may extend the probationary period and/or impose additional sanctions. *(Revised: 1/10/95)*

19.6.2.4.2 Review before Restoration of Membership Rights and Privileges. In the event the committee imposes a penalty involving a probationary period, the institution shall be notified that after the penalty becomes effective, the NCAA administrator for the Committee on Infractions will review the athletics policies and practices of the institution before action by the committee to restore the institution to full rights and privileges of membership in the Association. *(Revised: 1/10/95)*

19.6.2.5 Television Appearance Limitations. In some instances, an institution is rendered ineligible to appear on television programs. When an institution is banned from such television programs, the penalty shall specify that the institution may not enter into any contracts or agreements for such appearances until the institution’s probationary status has been terminated and it has been restored to full rights and privileges of membership. *(Revised: 1/10/92)*

19.6.2.5.1 Closed-Circuit Telecast Exception. The Management Council is authorized to permit a closed-circuit telecast, limited to the campus of the opponent of the ineligible institution, it being understood that no rights fee is to be paid to the ineligible institution.

19.6.2.6 Disassociation of Representatives of Athletics Interests. The disassociation of relations with a representative of an institution’s athletics interests may be imposed on a permanent basis, for the

duration of the applicable probationary period or for another specified period of time. When an institution is required to show cause why a representative of the institution's athletics interests should not be disassociated from its athletics program, such disassociation shall require that the institution:

- (a) Refrain from accepting any assistance from the individual that would aid in the recruitment of prospective student-athletes or the support of enrolled student-athletes;
- (b) Not accept financial assistance for the institution's athletics program from the individual;
- (c) Ensure that no athletics benefit or privilege be provided to the individual that is not generally available to the public at large; and
- (d) Take such other actions against the individual that the institution determines to be within its authority to eliminate the involvement of the individual in the institution's athletics program.

19.6.2.7 Notification to Regional Accrediting Agency. When an institution has been found to be in violation of NCAA requirements, and the report reflects academic violations or questionable academic procedures, the president shall be authorized to forward a copy of the report to the appropriate regional accrediting agency.

19.6.2.8 Review of Penalty

19.6.2.8.1 Newly Discovered Evidence or Prejudicial Error. When a penalty has been imposed and publicly announced and the appeal opportunity has been exhausted, there shall be no review of the penalty except on a showing of newly discovered evidence (per Bylaw 19.02.3) that is directly related to the findings in the case or that there was a prejudicial error in the procedure that was followed in the processing of the case by the committee. (*Revised: 1/9/96*)

19.6.2.8.1.1 Review Process. Any institution that initiates such a review shall be required to submit a brief of its appeal to the committee and to furnish sufficient copies of the brief for distribution to all members of the committee. The committee shall review the brief and decide by majority vote whether it shall grant a hearing of the appeal.

19.6.2.8.1.2 Institution or Conference Discipline as New Evidence. Disciplinary measures imposed by the institution or its conference, after the NCAA's action, may be considered to be "newly discovered evidence" for the purposes of this section.

19.6.2.8.1.3 No Imposition of New Penalty. If a hearing of the appeal is granted, the committee may reduce or eliminate any penalty but may not impose any new penalty. The committee's decision with respect to the penalty shall be final and conclusive for all purposes.

19.6.2.8.2 Reconsideration of Penalty. The institution shall be notified that should any portion of the penalty in the case be set aside for any reason other than by appropriate action of the Association, the penalty shall be reconsidered by the NCAA. In such cases, any extension or adjustment of a penalty shall be proposed by the Committee on Infractions after notice to the institution and hearing. Any such action by the committee shall be subject to appeal.

19.6.3 Discipline of Affiliated or Corresponding Member

19.6.3.1 Termination or Suspension. The membership of any affiliated or corresponding member failing to meet the conditions and obligations of membership or failing to support and adhere to the purposes and policies set forth in Constitution 1 may be terminated or suspended or the member otherwise may be disciplined through the following procedure:

- (a) The Executive Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may take such action on its own initiative; or (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)
- (b) The Committee on Infractions, by majority vote, may recommend such action to the Executive Committee, which may adopt the recommendation by a two-thirds vote of its members present and voting; and
- (c) The affiliated or corresponding member shall be advised of the proposed action at least 30 days before any Committee on Infractions or Executive Committee meeting in which such action is considered and shall be provided the opportunity to appear at any such meeting.

19.7 RIGHTS OF MEMBER TO APPEAL

19.7.1 Appeal of Secondary Violations. A member shall have the right to appeal actions taken by the vice-president for enforcement services in reference to secondary violations. To appeal, the member must submit a written notice of appeal to the Committee on Infractions. The Committee on Infractions must receive the written notice of appeal and any supporting information within 30 days of the date the institution receives the enforcement staff's decision. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

19.7.2 Appeal of Major Violations. A member shall have the right to give written notice of appeal of the

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committee's findings of major violations (subject to Bylaw 32.10.2), the penalty, or both to the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3. (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95*)

19.7.3 Appeal by an Institutional Staff Member. If any current or former institutional staff member participates in a hearing before the Committee on Infractions and is involved in a finding of a violation against that individual, the individual shall be given the opportunity to appeal any of the findings in question (subject to the conditions of Bylaw 32.10.2) to the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3. Under such circumstances, the individual and personal legal counsel may appear before the appeals committee at the time it considers the pertinent findings. (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95, 1/6/96*)

19.7.4 Student-Athlete Appeal. If an institution concludes that continued application of the rule(s) would work an injustice on any student-athlete, an appeal shall be submitted to the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee and promptly reviewed.

19.7.4.1 Obligation of Institution to Take Appropriate Action. When the committee (or the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3) finds that there has been a violation of the constitution or bylaws affecting the eligibility of an individual student-athlete or student-athletes, the institution involved and its conference(s), if any, shall be notified of the violation and the name(s) of the student-athlete(s) involved, it being understood that if the institution fails to take appropriate action, the involved institution shall be cited to show cause under the Association's regular enforcement procedures why it should not be disciplined for failure to do so. (*Revised: 1/10/95*)

19.8 RESTITUTION

If a student-athlete who is ineligible under the terms of the constitution, bylaws or other legislation of the Association is permitted to participate in intercollegiate competition contrary to such NCAA legislation but in accordance with the terms of a court restraining order or injunction operative against the institution attended by such student-athlete or against the Association, or both, and said injunction is voluntarily vacated, stayed or reversed or it is finally determined by the courts that injunctive relief is not or was not justified, the Management Council may take any one or more of the following actions against such institution in the interest of restitution and fairness to competing institutions:

- (a) Require that individual records and performances achieved during participation by such ineligible student-athlete shall be vacated or stricken;
- (b) Require that team records and performances achieved during participation by such ineligible student-athlete shall be vacated or stricken;
- (c) Require that team victories achieved during participation by such ineligible student-athlete shall be abrogated and the games or events forfeited to the opposing institutions;
- (d) Require that individual awards earned during participation by such ineligible student-athlete shall be returned to the Association, the sponsor or the competing institution supplying same;
- (e) Require that team awards earned during participation by such ineligible student-athlete shall be returned to the Association, the sponsor or the competing institution supplying same;
- (f) Determine that the institution is ineligible for one or more NCAA championships in the sports and in the seasons in which such ineligible student-athlete participated;
- (g) Determine that the institution is ineligible for invitational and postseason meets and tournaments in the sports and in the seasons in which such ineligible student-athlete participated;
- (h) Require that the institution shall remit to the NCAA the institution's share of television receipts (other than the portion shared with other conference members) for appearing on any live television series or program if such ineligible student-athlete participates in the contest(s) selected for such telecast, or if the Management Council concludes that the institution would not have been selected for such telecast but for the participation of such ineligible student-athlete during the season of the telecast; any such funds thus remitted shall be devoted to the NCAA postgraduate scholarship program; and
- (i) Require that the institution that has been represented in an NCAA championship by such a student-athlete shall return 90 percent of its share of the net receipts from such competition in excess of the regular expense reimbursement, or if said funds have not been distributed, require that they be withheld by the president.

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20.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

20.01.1 Membership in the Association. Eligibility for membership in the Association; conditions, obligations and classes of Association membership; and procedures governing the termination, suspension and reinstatement of such membership are governed by Constitution 3.

20.01.2 Division Membership. Each active and provisional member institution and member conference is designated as a member for certain legislative and competitive purposes. Multidivision classification is permitted under specified circumstances (see Bylaw 20.4).

20.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

20.02.1 Multidivision Classification. Multidivision classification is the procedure in which a member institution may petition to have a certain sport or sports classified in a division other than the division in which it holds membership (see Bylaw 20.4).

20.02.2 Performance Criterion. A performance criterion is a requirement for membership or classification in a division that must be met by the member institution before the date that the requirement becomes effective; i.e., during the academic year before the effective date. Performance criteria include, but are not limited to, minimum sports sponsorship requirements, minimum scheduling requirements and minimum game-attendance requirements.

20.02.3 Provisional Membership. Provisional membership is a prerequisite for active membership. It is limited to a four-year period. During the third and fourth years of provisional membership, an institution shall administer its athletics programs in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97 for institutions petitioning for provisional membership on or after 8/1/97*)

20.02.4 Restricted Membership. Restricted membership is a membership classification status assigned to an institution that fails to comply with the minimum requirements of its division (e.g., sports sponsorship, scheduling). The institution placed in such status loses eligibility for a number of membership privileges and has from one year to three years to comply with the requirement involved. Failure to comply reclassifies the institution to corresponding membership (see Bylaw 20.3.5).

20.02.5 Emerging Sports for Women. The following shall be considered emerging sports for women and countable for purposes of revenue distribution (i.e., for sports sponsorship and grants-in-aid): (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/1/94*)

(a) Team Sports: team handball and synchronized swimming; and (*Revised: 1/13/98*)

(b) Individual Sports: archery, badminton, bowling, equestrian and squash. (*Revised: 1/12/99*)

20.02.5.1 Additional Emerging Sports. The Presidents Council periodically shall identify future emerging sports for women that shall be countable sports for revenue distribution and minimum sports sponsorship criteria and shall establish procedures to determine minimum contests and maximum grants in those sports. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/1/94*)

20.02.5.2 Removal of Emerging-Sport Status. A sport shall no longer be considered an emerging sport once the sport has been established as a championship sport. Further, an emerging sport is limited to a 10-year time period to become a championship sport unless it can be demonstrated that steady growth has occurred during that time. (*Adopted: 1/13/98*)

20.02.5.3 Rowing. Students who were enrolled in a collegiate institution during the 1996-97 academic

year are subject to the eligibility legislation for student-athletes participating in the sport of rowing that was in effect at the time of the student's initial enrollment [see Bylaw 14.01.5 (compliance with legislation for emerging sports)]. (*Adopted: 1/13/98*)

20.1 DETERMINATION OF DIVISIONS

20.1.1 Designation of Division by Active and Provisional Members. Each active and provisional member institution shall be designated as a member for certain legislative and competitive purposes. (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94*)

20.1.1.1 Men's and Women's Programs in Different Divisions. An institution shall not classify its women's athletics program in a division other than the institution's membership division, unless its women's program was so classified before January 11, 1991; further, for those institutions so classified, the Executive Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may permit the institution's women's athletics program to be classified in a division other than its membership division, provided it determines every three years that unusual circumstances warrant such action. (*Revised: 1/10/91*)

20.1.1.2 Multidivision Classification. A member may request classification and eligibility in more than one division in accordance with provisions permitting multidivision classification, eligibility and voting (see Bylaw 20.4).

20.1.2 Designation of Division by Member Conference. Each member conference shall determine the membership division it desires for legislative and/or competitive purposes. When designating the division, at least 50 percent or a minimum of 25 of the conference's institutions must hold membership in that division. The Executive Committee shall determine the membership division of a member conference not meeting these criteria.

20.2 ELIGIBILITY OF NEW MEMBER

20.2.1 Determination of Division/Submission for Election. At the time of application, a prospective member shall designate the membership division it desires and any desired multidivision classification per Bylaw 20.4. The application then shall be submitted for possible election to provisional membership (effective the next September 1) in accordance with the provisions of Constitution 3. (*Revised: 1/10/90, 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94*)

20.2.2 Four-Year Provision. Provisional membership shall be limited to a four-year period. During the first and second years of provisional membership, an institution shall apply the legislation of the Association to the greatest extent possible. During the third and fourth years of provisional membership, an institution shall operate in conformity with the membership criteria of this article. (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97 for institutions petitioning for provisional membership on or after 8/1/97*)

20.2.2.1 Criteria in Effect for Less Than Two Years. If particular membership criteria have been in effect for less than two years, the provisional member is obligated to show conformity with those criteria only from the effective date of their adoption. (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94*)

20.2.3 Eligibility of New Member for Championships. To be eligible for NCAA championships immediately after the September 1 on which an institution's election to active membership becomes effective, the institution shall: (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94*)

- (a) Have operated in conformity with the membership criteria of this article for its division for a period of two years; (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 9/1/91*)
- (b) Comply with all championships eligibility provisions prescribed in Bylaw 31.2.1; and
- (c) Otherwise be eligible for participation in those championships.

20.3 ESTABLISHMENT OF AND COMPLIANCE WITH DIVISION CRITERIA

20.3.1 Adoption of Criteria. The members of each division, by majority vote, may establish division criteria for membership and competition by sport.

20.3.2 Effective Date and Compliance Period. In establishing criteria, the members of the division shall specify the effective date and compliance period, if any. Each institution (either as a member of that division or as an institution that competes in a sport in that division under the provisions of multidivision classification per Bylaw 20.4) shall conform to the requirements of the criteria by that effective date or by the end of the compliance period, whichever is later. Amendments to membership criteria shall be effective the September 1 after adoption or a future September 1.

20.3.2.1 Deadline for Meeting Performance Criterion. An institution must comply with any specific

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performance criterion adopted by the membership of its division (e.g., that the institution sponsor a minimum number of sports, schedule and play a specific percentage or number of contests against opponents of a certain division, or demonstrate a specific level of paid attendance) by the end of the academic year before the effective date of the legislation.

20.3.3 Failure to Conform by Effective Date. If an institution has not conformed to the adopted criteria of its division by the effective date or the end of the prescribed compliance period, the institution's membership (or its sport per Bylaw 20.4) shall be reassigned to a division for which it qualifies. If the member (or its sport per Bylaw 20.4) does not qualify for any division, the institution (or its sport per Bylaw 20.4) shall be reclassified in accordance with Bylaw 20.3.5.

20.3.4 Continuation of Compliance. To retain division membership or approved multidivision classification (per Bylaw 20.4), each member institution shall continue to meet division criteria when any grace period expires. If an institution fails to remain in compliance with its division's criteria, the institution's membership (or its sport per Bylaw 20.4) shall be reassigned to a division for which it qualifies. If the member (or its sport per Bylaw 20.4) does not qualify for any division, the institution shall be reclassified in accordance with Bylaw 20.3.5 and also shall be subject to the Association's enforcement procedures.

20.3.5 Noncompliance and Waivers of Division Criteria

20.3.5.1 Restricted Membership

20.3.5.1.1 Minimum One-Year Compliance Period. If an institution (or its sport per Bylaw 20.4) does not qualify for membership in any division, the institution (or its sport per Bylaw 20.4) may be placed in a "restricted membership" category for a minimum of one year. At the conclusion of the minimum one-year period, the institution automatically shall be granted membership in its preferred division, provided the institution complies with the division's criteria. If the member does not meet the criteria of any division at the end of the "restricted membership" period, the member shall be reclassified as a corresponding member.

20.3.5.1.2 Failure to Meet Minimum Sports Sponsorship Criteria

20.3.5.1.2.1 One-Year Probationary Period. An institution that fails to meet either the minimum men's or women's sports sponsorship criterion for its division shall be placed on probation for one year for its entire program (both men's and women's sports) in the next academic year after noncompliance with sports sponsorship requirements is discovered. An institution shall be afforded the one-year probationary period for failure to comply with sports sponsorship criteria only once in every 10-year period. The 10-year period shall begin the September 1 after completion of the academic year in which the membership criterion is not met. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

20.3.5.1.2.2 Application of Restricted Membership Status. If an institution fails to meet the sports sponsorship criteria at the end of the probationary year or is ineligible for the once-in-10-year probationary period, it shall be placed in "restricted membership" and shall not be eligible for NCAA championship competition in all sports (both men's and women's) in the first academic year after the probationary year (or the first academic year after failure to meet the requirements if the institution is ineligible for the once-in-10-year probationary period). If the institution still cannot certify compliance with the division criteria at the end of that year, it shall be reclassified as a corresponding member. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

20.3.5.1.3 Failure to Meet Division Scheduling Requirement. An institution that fails to meet the division scheduling requirement in a sport shall be placed in the "restricted membership" category in that sport, with men's and women's teams in the same sport treated separately. The sport shall be in the "restricted membership" category for no longer than a three-year period.

20.3.5.1.4 Voting Privileges and Eligibility for Championships. The institution shall identify its preferred division and, during the period of "restricted membership," shall be:

- (a) In compliance to the greatest extent possible with that division's scheduling criteria;
- (b) Bound by all other applicable rules of the Association;
- (c) Permitted to vote only on dominant issues, unless the "restricted membership" status is in one sport, in which case its loss of voting privileges shall apply only to that sport; and
- (d) Ineligible for NCAA championships and postseason football contests, unless the "restricted membership" status is in one sport, in which case loss of eligibility for championships and postseason football contests shall apply only to that sport.

20.3.5.1.5 Division Members Counting a Restricted Opponent. During the period of its "restricted membership," an institution may be counted by its classified opponents as a member of the restricted institution's desired division for purposes of the opponents' meeting their division's scheduling criteria; however, a restricted member shall not count another restricted member for such purposes.

20.3.5.1.5.1 Restricted Members Counting a Restricted Opponent. A contest between two institutions in “restricted membership” status in a sport shall not be counted as a contest by either institution for purposes of the scheduling criterion in the sport in which they are restricted, provided this exception is not applied to more than 25 percent of an institution’s contests in the sport in question for any particular season.

20.3.5.1.6 No Voluntary Selection of “Restricted Membership” Category. “Restricted membership” status is imposed only when an institution has failed to comply with division membership criteria. An institution is not permitted to select voluntarily or to request that it be placed in the “restricted membership” category.

20.3.5.1.7 Removal of “Restricted Membership” Status. When an institution that has been placed in “restricted membership” status wishes to return to its original membership division, it shall meet the criteria that were in effect at the time it became restricted or that have become effective since that time. If a restricted institution wishes to move to a different membership division, it is considered a petitioner for change of division membership per Bylaw 20.5 and would be required to meet all of the new division’s criteria at the time the institution leaves restricted status.

20.3.5.2 Waivers of Division Membership Criteria. If an institution applying for multidivision classification or change of division membership, or an institution placed in the “restricted membership” category (per Bylaw 20.3.5.1), does not meet the criteria of its preferred division, or if an active member institution does not meet (or does not expect to meet within the applicable compliance period, if any) new criteria adopted by the membership of its division, it may request a waiver of the criteria from the membership of the preferred division according to the procedures specified below. (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94*)

20.3.5.2.1 Submission of Request. The institution shall submit (by mail or wired transmission) its request for a waiver (signed by the institution’s chief executive officer) to the Association’s president, and it shall be received in the national office not later than September 15. Any request received after that date shall be postmarked not later than September 8. The request shall include pertinent information supporting the institution’s request. Additionally, the institution shall distribute this information to the chief executive officer, faculty athletics representative, athletics director and senior woman administrator of athletics programs at each member institution in the preferred division, as well as the executive officer of each member conference of that division, postmarked not later than December 1.

20.3.5.2.1.1 Waiver. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may waive the September 15 deadline set forth in Bylaw 20.3.5.2.1 due to circumstances beyond an institution’s control. (*Adopted: 1/9/96*)

20.3.5.2.2 Voting Requirement. The Management Council, by a majority of its members present and voting, shall vote to accept or reject the request for a waiver of the division’s criteria. (*Revised: 1/10/00*)

20.3.5.2.3 Effective Date of Waiver. If the division votes to admit the institution as a member of that division, such classification shall become effective:

- (a) In accordance with the requirements of Constitution 3.2.3.4 if a new member of the Association is involved;
- (b) September 1 after the Convention if an active member institution is seeking multidivision classification or change of division membership; or (*Revised: 1/10/90*)
- (c) Immediately if the institution receives a waiver of the “restricted membership” classification. (*Adopted: 1/11/89*)

20.3.5.2.3.1 Maximum Three-Year Waiver Period. If after three years from the effective date of multidivision classification or reclassification (September 1 after the Convention) the institution receiving such a waiver has not conformed to all adopted criteria of the division, the institution’s membership (or its sport per Bylaw 20.4): (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94*)

- (a) Shall be assigned to a division for which it qualifies in accordance with Bylaw 20.5.1; or
- (b) Shall be placed in the “restricted membership” category for a minimum of one year in accordance with Bylaw 20.3.5.1, if the member (or its sport per Bylaw 20.4) does not qualify for any division.

20.3.5.2.3.2 Eligibility for Championships. The institution receiving such a waiver shall be accorded all privileges of division membership during this waiver period; however, its eligibility for championships shall require compliance with the institutional eligibility requirements of Bylaws 20.2.3, 20.4.3 or 20.5.3.

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20.3.5.2.4 Rejection of Waiver Request. If the division votes to reject the institution's request, the institution's membership (or its sport per Bylaw 20.4):

- (a) Shall be reassigned to a division for which it qualifies; or
- (b) Shall be placed in the "restricted membership" category, if it does not qualify for any division (see Bylaw 20.3.5.1).

20.4 MULTIDIVISION CLASSIFICATION

20.4.1 Multidivision-Classification Options. A member institution may have a sport classified in a division other than the one in which it is a member only in the following circumstances:

20.4.1.1 Classification of a Sport in Division I. A member may petition to be classified in Division I in any one men's sport, other than football or basketball, and in any one women's sport, other than basketball, and in any single sport in which the only NCAA championships opportunity is the National Collegiate Championship. In addition, a member may be classified in Division I in a sport in which there is a Division I and a Division III championship, but no Division II championship. (*Revised: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94*)

20.4.1.2 Women's Multidivision-Classification Limitation. A member institution that has its women's program classified in a division other than its membership division (per Bylaw 20.1.1.1) shall not be eligible to petition for the multidivision-classification opportunities available to a women's program that is classified in the same division as the institution's men's program.

20.4.1.3 National Collegiate Championship. A member institution may petition to be classified in a division other than its membership division in a single sport in which the only NCAA championships opportunity is a National Collegiate Championship for which all divisions are eligible. (*Adopted: 1/10/91, Revised: 1/10/92*)

20.4.2 Requesting Multidivision Classification

20.4.2.1 Deadline for Submission of Approved Form. When petitioning for multidivision classification, a member shall submit its request to the Association's president on a form approved by the Executive Committee. The form must be received in the national office (by mail or wired transmission) not later than June 1. Any form received after that date shall be postmarked not later than May 25.

20.4.2.2 Classification of a Sport from Division II to Division I—Notification Requirement. The chief executive officer of a member that intends to petition for multidivision classification per Bylaw 20.4.1.2 shall submit to the Association's president written notice of the institution's intention to reclassify the sport. The notice shall be received in the national office (by mail or wired transmission) not later than June 1 two years before the September 1 when the institution intends to reclassify the sport to Division I. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

20.4.2.3 Compliance with Criteria. If the member has met all applicable division membership criteria of this article and has complied for the two years before June 1 with all other bylaw requirements as they pertain to the sport in question, the member shall be eligible for participation in the division in that sport effective the September 1 that the institution selects as its effective date. (*Revised: 1/10/90*)

20.4.2.4 Three-Year Requirement. Once the institution has been approved for multidivision classification, it shall remain classified in the division (for that sport) for a minimum of three years.

20.4.3 Championships Eligibility. To be eligible for the NCAA championship in the sport in the new division on the effective September 1, the institution shall comply with all championships eligibility requirements, as prescribed by Bylaw 31, and otherwise shall be eligible for participation in that championship. In addition, a member that has been approved for classification in one sport in Division I shall comply with the championships eligibility provisions of Bylaw 18.4.2.2.

20.4.3.1 Reclassification of a Sport from Division II to Division I. A member of Division II that has forwarded to the national office written notice of its intention to change its membership classification in one sport to Division I per Bylaw 20.4.2.2 no longer shall be eligible to participate in any subsequent Division II NCAA championship in that sport. However, the institution shall retain eligibility to receive Division II Enhancement Fund proceeds. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

20.4.4 Waivers

20.4.4.1 Three-Year and Petition Deadline Requirements. The Executive Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant waivers of the June 1 and September 1 deadline provisions of this section or of the three-year membership provisions of Bylaw 20.4.2.3 if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action.

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20.4.4.2 New Division or Subdivision. When the institution's reclassification was the direct result of the creation of a new division or subdivision, the Executive Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant waivers of the three-year requirement of Bylaw 20.4.2.3 if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action.

20.5 CHANGE OF DIVISION MEMBERSHIP

20.5.1 Reclassification Options. A member institution may request a change of division membership according to the provisions of this section. A member of Division I or Division III may petition to change its membership to Division II, and a member may petition to change its membership to either Division I or Division III.

20.5.2 Requesting Reclassification

20.5.2.1 Reclassification to Division I or III—Notification Requirement. The chief executive officer of a member that intends to petition for reclassification to Division I or III per Bylaw 20.5.2.2 shall submit to the Association's president written notice of the institution's intention to reclassify. The notice shall be received in the national office (by mail or wired transmission) not later than June 1 two years before the September 1 when the institution intends to reclassify to Division I and not later than June 1 three years before the September 1 when the institution intends to reclassify to Division III. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00 for those institutions that begin the reclassification period 9/1/00)*

20.5.2.2 Deadline for Submission of Petition. When petitioning for change of division membership, a member shall notify the Association's president on a form approved by the Executive Committee. The form shall be received in the national office (by mail or wired transmission) not later than June 1. Any form received after that date shall be postmarked not later than May 25.

20.5.2.3 Compliance with Criteria. If the member has met all applicable membership criteria of this article for the division to which it intends to transfer and has complied for the two years before June 1 with all other division bylaw requirements, the member shall be transferred to the new division effective the September 1 that the institution selects as its effective date. *(Revised: 1/10/90)*

20.5.2.4 Three-Year Requirement. Once the change of division membership has been approved, the institution shall remain classified in that division for a minimum of three years.

20.5.3 Championships Eligibility. To be eligible for NCAA championships in the new division on the effective September 1, the institution shall comply with all championships eligibility requirements, as prescribed by Bylaw 31, and otherwise shall be eligible for participation in those championships. In addition, a member of Division I shall comply with the provisions of Bylaw 18.4.2.2.

20.5.3.1 Reclassification from Division II to Division I or III. A member of Division II that has forwarded to the national office written notice of its intention to change its membership classification to Division I or III per Bylaw 20.5.2.1 no longer shall be eligible to participate in any future Division II NCAA championship and no longer shall be eligible to receive Division II Enhancement Fund proceeds. *(Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/12/99, 1/11/00 effective for those institutions that begin the reclassification period 9/1/00)*

20.5.4 Waivers

20.5.4.1 Three-Year and Petition Deadline Requirements. The Executive Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant waivers of the June 1 and September 1 deadline provisions of this section or of the three-year membership provisions of Bylaw 20.5.2.4 if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action.

20.5.4.2 New Division or Subdivision. When the institution's reclassification was the direct result of the creation of a new division or subdivision, the Executive Committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant waivers of the three-year requirement of Bylaw 20.5.2.4 if it deems that unusual circumstances warrant such action.

20.7 DIVISION LEGISLATION

20.7.1 Applicable Legislation. A member institution shall observe the applicable legislation and requirements of its membership division. However, if the institution is eligible to participate in a sport in another division (see Bylaw 20.4 for multidivision-classification privileges), it shall apply the rules of the other division that govern the sport in question.

20.8 ELIGIBILITY FOR NATIONAL COLLEGIATE AND DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS

20.8.1 Eligibility for National Collegiate Championships. Separate championships in each division are not sponsored in the following sports:

Men's and women's fencing	Women's rowing (<i>Adopted: 1/9/96</i>)
Men's gymnastics	Men's and women's skiing
Women's gymnastics	Men's volleyball
Women's Ice Hockey	Men's and women's water polo
Men's and women's rifle	

An active member institution in good standing, regardless of division, is eligible for the National Collegiate Championships, if a division championship in the respective sport is not offered in its division. Such an institution normally is required to meet only the institutional and individual eligibility requirements of its division that govern the sport in question. However, in those sports in which two-thirds or more of the institutions sponsoring the sport are members of the same division, an institution participating in the championship is required to meet that division's and its own division's institutional and individual eligibility requirements (or the more stringent rule if both divisions' rules address the same issue).

20.8.1.1 Maximum Awards Exception. An institution may exceed the maximum awards limitation in a sport in which only a National Collegiate Championship is conducted and remain eligible for that NCAA event.

20.8.1.1.1 Declaration of Intent to Be Exempt. A member institution that desires to exceed the maximum awards limitation in a given sport (or sports) shall file a declaration of its intent to be exempt from that limitation. The declaration shall be received at the national office (by mail or wired transmission) not later than the June 1 before the academic year for which it seeks the exemption. Any declaration received after that date shall be postmarked not later than May 25. The institution then shall be governed by the appropriate Division I legislation governing maximum awards for that year.

20.8.2 Options When No Division II Championship Is Conducted. An active member institution that holds membership in Division II is eligible to compete in the Division I championship in those sports for which no Division II championship is conducted. The institution shall declare its intention to compete by June 1. This declaration of intent shall be effective for a minimum of three years. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 9/1/92*)

20.8.2.1 Participation in Division I Championship. To be eligible for the Division I championship in such a sport, the member institution is required to meet all Division I institutional and individual eligibility requirements and may use Division I financial aid limitations in that sport as permitted under Bylaw 20.8.1.1. (*Revised: 1/10/91 effective 9/1/92*)

20.8.2.2 Exception for Maximum Number of Contests or Dates of Competition. A member institution that is eligible for a championship in another division because there is no championship in that sport in its membership division shall apply the maximum number of contests or dates of competition in the sport involved that applies to the division in which it declares its intention to compete.

20.10 MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT

In addition to the purposes and fundamental policy of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, as set forth in Constitution 1, members of Division II believe that a well-conducted intercollegiate athletics program, based on sound educational principles and practices, is a proper part of the educational mission of a university or college and that the educational welfare of the participating student-athlete is of primary concern.

Members support the following principles in the belief that these objectives assist in defining the division and the possible differences between it and other divisions of the Association. This statement shall serve as a guide for the preparation of legislation by the division and for planning and implementation of programs by institutions and conferences. A member of Division II: (*Revised: 1/14/97*)

- Believes in offering intercollegiate athletics participation to as many of its students as possible, whether or not these students are athletically recruited or financially assisted; (*Revised: 1/14/97*)
- Believes in striving for equitable participation and competitive excellence, encouraging sportsmanship and ethical conduct, and developing positive societal attitudes in all of its athletics endeavors; (*Revised: 1/14/97*)

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- (c) Believes in scheduling the majority of its athletics competition with other members of Division II, insofar as regional qualification, geographical location and traditional or conference scheduling patterns permit; *(Revised: 1/14/97)*
- (d) Recognizes the dual objectives in its athletics program of serving both the campus (participants, student body, faculty-staff) and the general public (community, area, state);
- (e) Believes in offering opportunity for participation in intercollegiate athletics by permitting athletically related financial aid for its student-athletes; and *(Revised: 1/14/97)*
- (f) Believes that all members of Division II should commit themselves to this philosophy and to the regulations and programs of Division II. *(Revised: 1/14/97)*

20.10.1 Financial Aid Limitations. A member shall not make an award of financial aid (for which the recipient's athletics ability is considered in any degree) in excess of the number permitted by the bylaws governing financial aid awards limitations (see Bylaw 15.5.). (Also see Bylaw 20.8.1.1 for exception in a case where no championship is offered in a sport.)

20.10.2 Regular-Season Eligibility. A member shall conduct its regular-season competition under eligibility rules at least as stringent as those provisions of Bylaw 14 applicable to members (see Bylaw 14.1.1).

20.10.3 Sports Sponsorship. A member shall sponsor a minimum of:

- (a) Four varsity intercollegiate sports, including at least two team sports, based on the minimum requirements of Bylaw 20.10.3.5 and involving all-male teams or mixed teams of males and females; and
- (b) Four varsity intercollegiate sports, including at least two team sports, based on the minimum requirements of Bylaw 20.10.3.5 and involving all-female teams.

20.10.3.1 Sport(s) Sponsored in Division I. One of the two team sports required in Bylaw 20.10.3-(a) and one of the two team sports required in Bylaw 20.10.3-(b) may be sponsored in Division I. *(Revised: 1/11/89)*

20.10.3.2 Single-Gender Programs. Institutions that sponsor and conduct athletics programs for only one gender need not meet the minimum sports sponsorship criterion for the other gender.

20.10.3.3 Waiver of Minimum Women's Sports Sponsorship Criteria. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant waivers of the Division II minimum women's sports sponsorship requirement in accordance with the procedure listed below:

- (a) The institution shall submit its request for a waiver, signed by the institution's chief executive officer, to the Association's president. The request shall include pertinent information supporting the institution's request, and it shall be received in the national office (by mail or wired transmission) not later than October 1. Any request received after that date shall be postmarked not later than September 23; *(Revised: 1/10/90)*
- (b) The institution shall provide data demonstrating that the ratio of male to female enrollment prohibits the offering of the required number of sports for women; or
- (c) The institution shall provide data demonstrating insufficient student interest in establishing or maintaining the requisite number of teams.
- (d) If the Management Council votes to reject the institution's request, the institution shall be placed in a division for which it qualifies or in the "restricted membership" category in accordance with the provisions of Bylaw 20.3.5.1.

20.10.3.4 Acceptable Sports. The sports designated to meet the sports sponsorship criteria shall:

- (a) Be among those in which the Association sponsors a championship;
- (b) Be recognized by the institution as varsity intercollegiate sports (see Bylaw 3.2.4.4); and
- (c) Involve all-male teams, mixed teams of males and females or all-female teams.

20.10.3.4.1 Waiver. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve a request to designate one sport involving all-male teams or mixed teams of males and females and one sport involving all-female teams other than those in which the Association sponsors a championship to meet the division sports sponsorship criteria. *(Revised: 1/11/89)*

20.10.3.5 Minimum Contests and Participants Requirements for Sports Sponsorship. In each sport, the institution's team shall engage in at least a minimum number of intercollegiate contests (against four-year, degree-granting collegiate institutions) each year. In the individual sports, the institution's team shall include a minimum number of participants in each contest that is counted toward meeting the minimum-contest requirement. The following minimums are applicable:

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Team Sports	Minimum Contests	Individual Sports	Minimum Contests	Minimum Participants
Baseball	24	Cross Country	5	5
Basketball	22	Men's Fencing	6	5
Field Hockey	10	Women's Fencing	6	5 (<i>Revised: 1/10/00</i>)
Football	8	Golf	7	5
Ice Hockey	20	Men's Gymnastics	6	6
Lacrosse	8	Women's Gymnastics	6	5
Soccer	10	Rifle	8	4
Softball	24	Skiing	5	5
Volleyball	9	Swimming and Diving	8	11
Water Polo	12	Tennis	10	5
		Track and Field, Indoor and Outdoor	5	14
		Wrestling	12	7

(Note: The minimum-contest requirements set forth in Bylaws 20.10.3.5.1 through 20.10.3.5.8 apply only to the provisions of this section and do not apply to minimum-contest requirements in Bylaws 14 and 17.)

20.10.3.5.1 Completion of Contest. To count as a contest, the institution's team actually shall participate in and complete the contest. Scheduled contests that are canceled or not completed (in accordance with the playing rules of the sport in question) may not be counted.

20.10.3.5.2 Regional Cross Country Qualifying Meets. An institution may count participation in a regional cross country meet in meeting the minimum-contest requirement, provided the institution meets the minimum-participant requirement per Bylaw 20.10.3.5 and no qualifying standards exist for participation in the meet. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

20.10.3.5.3 Counting Multicontest Events in Team Sports. In the team sports, each game in a double-header, triple-header or tournament shall be counted as one contest.

20.10.3.5.4 Counting Multiteam Events in Individual Sports. In the individual sports, not more than two institution-versus-institution meetings shall be counted as contests in any multiteam competition (e.g., quadrangular track and field meet). If the institution achieves a single score in competition with the other competing institutions (e.g., a conference championship), it shall be counted as one contest. (*Revised: 1/11/89 effective 8/1/89*)

20.10.3.5.4.1 Meets with No Team Scoring. In the individual sports, a meet at which no team scoring is kept counts as a contest for the purpose of meeting the minimum-contest requirement, provided that at least the minimum number of participants per 20.10.3.5 participate on the institution's team.

20.10.3.5.5 Individual Sports—One or More Sites. In the individual sports, if the minimum number of student-athletes participating on one or more teams, at one or more sites, on behalf of the institution on the same day equals or exceeds the minimum number of participants per Bylaw 20.10.3.5, an institution may use the competition as a contest in meeting the minimum-contest requirements. (*Adopted: 1/16/93*)

20.10.3.5.6 Contests in Two Seasons. If an institution sponsors the same sport in two different seasons of the same academic year, it may count contests in both seasons, provided regular varsity competition is sponsored in both seasons and is so listed on the institution's official schedule in that sport.

20.10.3.5.7 Contests versus Club Teams. A contest against a collegiate institution's club team may not be counted toward meeting minimum-contest requirements. However, a member is not precluded from scheduling club teams.

20.10.3.5.8 Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field. Institutions shall count indoor and outdoor track and field as a single sport.

20.10.3.5.9 Waivers

20.10.3.5.9.1 Minimum Contests and Participants. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers of the minimum number of intercollegiate contests or the minimum number of participants in a contest in situ-

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ations beyond the control of the institution (e.g., weather conditions or disaster preventing completion of a scheduled competition, or verified injury or illness at the site of competition preventing the participation of the required minimum number of individuals). (*Revised: 1/10/90*)

20.10.3.5.9.2 Minimum Contests. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve a waiver of the minimum number of intercollegiate contests in a situation in which:

- (a) The member institution can document that it had scheduled (for that academic year) the appropriate minimum number of contests under enforceable game contracts executed in writing;
- (b) An opponent canceled a game that it had contracted to play that academic year; and
- (c) Despite a good-faith effort, the institution was unable to rearrange its schedule to play the appropriate minimum number of contests.

20.10.4 Football and Basketball Scheduling

20.10.4.1 Football. A member shall schedule and play at least 50 percent of its football games in an academic year against institutions classified in Division II or Division I in that sport.

20.10.4.2 Basketball. A member shall schedule and play at least 50 percent of its men's basketball games and 50 percent of its women's basketball games in an academic year against members of Division II or Division I. (*Revised: 1/16/93 effective 8/1/93*)

20.10.4.3 Counting Contests

20.10.4.3.1 Membership Classification of Opponent. In determining whether an institution meets the scheduling criteria of Division II, each opponent shall be counted as it was classified on September 1 of the academic year involved.

20.10.4.3.1.1 Second Year of Reclassification. An institution that is in its second year of its two-year reclassification period may be counted by its Division II active member opponents in meeting their Division II scheduling requirements. (*Adopted: 1/13/98*)

20.10.4.3.1.2 Waiver. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may grant a waiver of the provisions of Bylaws 20.9.4.1 or 20.9.4.2 in cases of reclassification of an opponent when there is an enforceable game contract, executed in writing, or in the case of similar contractual problems.

20.10.4.3.1.3 Provisional Member Opponents. A provisional institution that has been a member of the Association for a minimum of one year may be counted by its provisional or active member opponents in meeting their scheduling requirements. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 9/2/94*)

20.10.4.3.2 Canceled Games. A canceled game shall not be counted toward meeting the Division II scheduling criteria unless the Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, approves a waiver of the criterion in a situation in which:

- (a) The member institution can document that it had scheduled (for that academic year) the appropriate minimum percentage of contests with members of Division II or Division I, under enforceable game contracts executed in writing;
- (b) An opponent canceled a game that it had contracted to play that academic year; and
- (c) Despite a good-faith effort, the institution was unable to rearrange its schedule to play the appropriate percentage of contests with members of Division II.

20.10.4.3.3 Alaska, Hawaii or Puerto Rico. Games played in Alaska, Hawaii or Puerto Rico shall not be counted for purposes of meeting the division's scheduling requirement if such games are exempt from counting toward the playing-season limitations. (*Adopted: 1/10/92*)

20.10.4.4 Waivers

20.10.4.4.1 Geographical. An institution may appeal to the Management Council for a waiver of the scheduling requirements per Bylaw 20.10.4 on the basis of geographical difficulty in achieving the minimum-scheduling requirements. The Management Council may grant such waivers by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting.

20.10.4.4.2 Conference. An institution that is a member of a conference predominantly composed of institutions that are not members of the NCAA (or an NAIA district that requires all NAIA members to play each other) may appeal to the Management Council for a waiver of the scheduling requirements per Bylaw 20.10.4, provided it schedules and plays at least 50 percent of its non-conference games in the appropriate sport against members of Division II or Division I. The Council may grant such waivers by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting.

20.10.4.4.3 Submission Deadline. Waiver requests per Bylaws 20.10.4.4.1 and 20.10.4.4.2 must be received in the national office not later than June 15 immediately after the academic year in which the scheduling requirement was not met. (*Adopted: 1/11/00*)

FIGURE 20-1
General Requirements for Division II Membership

	Sports Sponsorship: Number of Sports			Football Scheduling Requirement	Football Attendance Requirement	Men's Basketball Scheduling Requirement	Women's Basketball Scheduling Requirement	Scheduling Requirement— Sports Other Than Football and Basketball	Financial Aid Requirement*
	All-Male or Mixed-Team Sports	All-Female Sports	Minimum Number of Team Sports						
Division II	4	4	2-All male/mixed 2-All female	At least 50% of all games must be against Division I-A, I-AA or II members	NONE	At least 50% of all games must be against Division I or II members	At least 50% of all games must be against Division I or II members	NONE	NONE

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21.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

21.02.1 Association-Wide Committees. Association-wide committees deal with issues that affect all members of the Association and perform duties necessary to the on-going operation of the Association. Association-wide committees are comprised of members from each of the Association's divisions. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

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21.02.2 Common Committees. Common committees deal with issues that apply to more than one division of the Association. Common committees perform duties necessary to the on-going operation of the applicable divisions and are comprised of members from the applicable divisions. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

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21.02.3 Federated Committees. Federated committees deal with issues that apply to a specific membership division. Federated committees perform duties necessary to the on-going operation of that division and are comprised only of members from that division. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

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21.1 ASSOCIATION-WIDE COMMITTEES—GENERAL COMMITTEES

21.1.1 Method of Selection and Operation. Each division's governance structure shall appoint members to serve on the general Association-wide committees of the Association, consistent with that division's committee-appointment procedures (see Bylaws 21.6, 21.7 and 21.8). The membership of each committee shall include representatives from each of the Association's membership divisions. The Executive Committee shall ratify the appointment of all individuals serving on Association-wide committees and shall appoint the chairs of those committees. The Executive Committee also shall ratify policies regarding length, location and expenses of Association-wide committee meetings. Association-wide committees are set forth in Bylaws 21.1.2 through 21.1.12. *(Revised: 1/10/90, 1/16/93, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

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21.1.2 Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, Committee on

21.1.2.1 Composition. The Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports shall consist of 16 members, including five positions allocated for men, five allocated for women and six unallocated. The membership of the committee shall be constituted as follows:

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- Two athletics directors or senior woman athletics administrators, one man and one woman;
- One member who is an active coach;
- One member active in exercise physiology research;
- Three members from the field of medicine, of whom at least one shall be a woman and one shall be a primary-care team physician; *(Revised: 1/10/91)*
- One man and one woman, one of whom is responsible for the total athletics training programs at member institutions; *(Revised: 1/10/95)*
- One member representing the field of law;
- One member of the NCAA Football Rules Committee;
- One member representing secondary school interests;

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- (i) One member active in sports-medicine research; (*Revised: 1/10/90*)
- (j) One member with expertise in the area of drug education; and (*Revised: 1/10/00*)
- (k) Two members selected at large.

21.1.2.1.1 Student-Athlete Representation. A Division II student-athlete shall serve as a member of the committee in an advisory capacity and may serve on the committee up to two years after completion of his or her intercollegiate athletics eligibility. (*Adopted: 1/10/00*)

21.1.2.2 Duties. The committee, subject to the direction of the Executive Committee, shall:

- (a) Collect and develop pertinent information regarding desirable training methods, prevention and treatment of sports injuries, use of sound safety measures at the college level, drug education, and drug testing;
- (b) Disseminate such information as might be brought appropriately to the attention of the Association's membership and adopt recommended policies and standards designed to further the above objectives; and
- (c) Supervise the Association's drug-education and drug-testing programs under the direction of the Executive Committee.

21.1.3 Honors Committee

21.1.3.1 Composition. The Honors Committee shall consist of eight members, including three nationally distinguished citizens, one former NCAA honors recipient and four members selected at large. Divisions II and III will be represented each by a member of the Management Council. Two positions shall be allocated for men, two allocated for women and four unallocated. (*Revised: 1/13/98*)

21.1.3.2 Duties. The committee shall receive nominations for the Theodore Roosevelt Award, Top VIII awards and the Award of Valor and shall select the recipients of those awards.

21.1.4 Memorial Resolutions Committee

21.1.4.1 Composition. The Memorial Resolutions Committee shall consist of five members, at least one from each membership division. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/13/98*)

21.1.4.2 Duties. The committee shall be responsible for compiling the names of those individuals associated with intercollegiate athletics who died during the year immediately before the annual Convention. The committee shall make its report each year, memorializing the individuals involved, during the business sessions of the annual Convention. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

21.1.5 Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee

21.1.5.1 Composition. The Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee shall consist of 12 members. There shall be three members from Division II. Committee membership shall include a minimum of eight ethnic minorities, including at least four males and four females. (*Adopted: 1/10/91*)

21.1.5.1.1 Student-Athlete Representation. Three student-athletes, at least one of which shall be a Division II student-athlete, shall serve as members of the committee in an advisory capacity and may serve on the committee up to two years after completion of their intercollegiate athletics eligibility. (*Adopted: 1/10/95, Revised: 1/9/96, 1/10/00*)

21.1.5.2 Duties. The committee shall review issues related to the interests of ethnic minority student-athletes, NCAA minority programs and NCAA policies that affect ethnic minorities. (*Adopted: 1/10/91*)

21.1.6 National Youth Sports Program Committee

21.1.6.1 Composition. The National Youth Sports Program Committee shall consist of five representatives from active member institutions or conferences of the Association, including two positions allocated for men, two allocated for women and one unallocated, and an appropriate number of ex officio members representing the federal government. The representatives shall have recent experience in the administration of a National Youth Sports Program. (*Revised: 7/22/96, 1/13/98*)

21.1.6.1.1 Student-Athlete Representation. A Division II student-athlete shall serve as a member of the committee in an advisory capacity and may serve on the committee up to two years after completion of his or her intercollegiate athletics eligibility. (*Adopted: 1/10/00*)

21.1.6.2 Duties. The committee shall be responsible for administering the National Youth Sports Program.

21.1.7 Olympic Sports Liaison Committee

21.1.7.1 Composition. The Olympic Sports Liaison Committee shall consist of 11 members, including at least one from each division. (*Adopted: 1/10/91*)

21.1.7.1.1 Student-Athlete Representation. A Division II student-athlete shall serve as a member of the committee in an advisory capacity and may serve on the committee up to two years after completion of his or her intercollegiate athletics eligibility. <i>(Adopted: 1/10/00)</i>	#
21.1.7.2 Duties. The committee shall: <i>(Adopted: 1/10/91)</i>	#
(a) Act as a liaison between the Association, the U.S. Olympic Committee and national governing bodies; and	
(b) Study and make recommendations concerning the Association's appropriate role in the involvement of student-athletes in international athletics.	
21.1.8 Postgraduate Scholarship Committee	
21.1.8.1 Composition. The Postgraduate Scholarship Committee shall consist of seven members, including two positions allocated for men, two allocated for women and three unallocated, one of which shall be a former recipient of an NCAA postgraduate scholarship.	#
21.1.8.2 Duties. The committee shall be responsible for planning and administering the Association's postgraduate scholarship program for student-athletes who have distinguished themselves academically and athletically.	#
21.1.9 Research Committee	
21.1.9.1 Composition. The Research Committee shall consist of 10 members, including two from Division II, and two unallocated. In addition, three positions shall be allocated for men, three allocated for women and four unallocated. The membership of the committee shall consist of at least three athletics administrators and at least three faculty athletics representatives with appropriate research experience. <i>(Revised: 1/13/98)</i>	#
21.1.9.1.1 Student-Athlete Representation. A Division II student-athlete shall serve as a member of the committee in an advisory capacity and may serve on the committee up to two years after completion of his or her intercollegiate athletics eligibility. <i>(Adopted: 1/10/00)</i>	#
21.1.9.2 Duties. The committee shall:	#
(a) Evaluate, supervise and coordinate the Association's research activities;	
(b) Make recommendations to the Executive Committee regarding expenditures of Association funds for research projects; and	
(c) Make recommendations to the Council concerning research topics in intercollegiate athletics.	
21.1.10 Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct, Committee on	
21.1.10.1 Composition. The Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct shall consist of eight members. <i>(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)</i>	#
21.1.10.1.1 Student-Athlete Representation. A Division II student-athlete shall serve as a member of the committee in an advisory capacity and may serve on the committee up to two years after completion of his or her intercollegiate athletics eligibility. <i>(Adopted: 1/10/00)</i>	#
21.1.10.2 Duties. The committee shall be responsible for promoting sportsmanship and ethical conduct within the Association. <i>(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)</i>	#
21.1.11 Walter Byers Scholarship Committee	
21.1.11.1 Composition. The Walter Byers Scholarship Committee shall consist of five members, including one position allocated for a man, one allocated for a woman and three unallocated. <i>(Adopted: 1/10/90)</i>	#
21.1.11.2 Duties. The committee shall be responsible for planning and administering the Association's Walter Byers Scholarship program for student-athletes who have distinguished themselves academically and athletically. <i>(Adopted: 1/10/90)</i>	#
21.1.12 Women's Athletics, Committee on	
21.1.12.1 Composition. The Committee on Women's Athletics shall consist of 12 members, including three members from Division II. Four positions shall be allocated for men, four allocated for women and four unallocated. <i>(Revised: 1/11/89)</i>	#
21.1.12.1.1 Student-Athlete Representation. Three student-athletes, at least one of which shall be a Division II student-athlete, shall serve as members of the committee in an advisory capacity and may serve on the committee up to two years after completion of their intercollegiate athletics eligibility. <i>(Adopted: 1/10/95, Revised: 1/9/96, 1/10/00)</i>	#
21.1.12.2 Duties. The committee shall study and make policy recommendations concerning opportunities for women in athletics at the institutional, conference and national levels, as well as other issues directly affecting women's athletics.	#

21.2 ASSOCIATION-WIDE COMMITTEES—
RULES COMMITTEES WITHOUT CHAMPIONSHIPS ADMINISTRATION
RESPONSIBILITIES

21.2.1 Selection, Composition and Duties

- # **21.2.1.1 Method of Selection.** Each division's governance structure shall appoint members to serve on the rules committees without championships administration responsibilities, subject to the ratification of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee also shall appoint the chair and secretary-rules editor of each committee. The secretary-rules editor may be reelected without restriction and shall be a nonvoting member of the committee. The membership of each committee shall include representatives from each of the Association's membership divisions. (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/10/91, 1/16/93, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- # **21.2.1.2 Composition Requirements.** At least 25 percent of the positions on each rules committee shall be filled by athletics directors, associate or assistant athletics directors, senior woman athletics administrators, individuals who are employed full-time as administrators by member conferences, or individuals who are employed both part-time as administrators by member conferences and full-time by member institutions. In order for a district to be represented, at least five of its active members shall sponsor the sport involved on an intercollegiate basis. (*Revised: 1/10/90*)
- # **21.2.1.3 Duties.** Subject to the final authority of the Executive Committee, each rules committee shall establish and maintain rules of play in its sport consistent with the sound traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. These playing rules shall be common for all divisions of the Association, and differences among the divisions shall not be permitted, except for the division-specific playing regulations developed to address significant financial impact and approved by the divisions and the Executive Committee. (*Revised: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- # **21.2.1.4 Cooperation with Other Organizations.** A rules committee may cooperate with other national organizations in the development of common playing rules. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- # **21.2.1.5 Operation.** The Executive Committee shall ratify policies regarding the length, location and expenses of association-wide committee meetings. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- # 21.2.2 Baseball Rules Committee. The Baseball Rules Committee shall consist of nine members and shall be constituted as follows: (*Revised: 1/11/89*)
- (a) Two members shall be from Division II and an additional member shall be secretary-rules editor; and
 - (b) One member shall be elected chair.
- # 21.2.3 Basketball Rules Committee, Men's. The Men's Basketball Rules Committee shall consist of 13 members and shall be constituted as follows: (*Revised: 1/10/91*)
- (a) There shall be at least two representatives from each of the following four geographical regions: Districts 1 and 2; District 3; Districts 4 and 5; and Districts 6, 7 and 8;
 - (b) Three members shall be from Division II and an additional member shall be secretary-rules editor; and
 - (c) One member shall be elected chair. (*Revised: 1/10/91*)
- # 21.2.4 Basketball Rules Committee, Women's. The Women's Basketball Rules Committee shall consist of 13 members and shall be constituted as follows: (*Revised: 1/11/89*)
- (a) There shall be at least two representatives from each of the following four geographical regions: Districts 1 and 2; District 3; Districts 4 and 5; and Districts 6, 7 and 8;
 - (b) Three members shall be from Division II and an additional member shall be secretary-rules editor; and (*Revised: 1/11/89*)
 - (c) One member shall be elected chair.
- # 21.2.5 Football Rules Committee. The Football Rules Committee shall consist of 13 members and shall be constituted as follows: (*Revised: 1/16/93*)
- (a) There shall be at least two representatives from each of the following four geographical regions: Districts 1 and 2; District 3; Districts 4 and 5; and Districts 6, 7 and 8;
 - (b) Three members shall be from Division II and an additional member shall be secretary-rules editor; and (*Revised: 1/16/93*)
 - (c) One member shall be elected chair. (*Revised: 1/16/93*)
- # 21.2.6 Ice Hockey Rules Committee, Men's. The Men's Ice Hockey Rules Committee shall consist of eight members and shall be constituted as follows: (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

- (a) One member shall be from Division II and an additional member shall be secretary-rules editor; and
(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)
- (b) One member shall be elected chair.
- 21.2.7 Soccer Rules Committee, Men's and Women's. The Men's and Women's Soccer Rules Committee shall consist of nine members and shall be constituted as follows: (Adopted: 1/11/89) #
- (a) Two members shall be from Division II and an additional member shall be secretary-rules editor;
- (b) One-half of the members shall represent men's soccer interests, and one-half of the members shall represent women's soccer interests; and
- (c) One member shall be elected chair.
- 21.2.8 Softball Rules Committee, Women's. The Women's Softball Rules Committee shall consist of nine members and shall be constituted as follows: (Adopted: 1/9/96) #
- (a) Two members shall be from Division II and an additional member shall be secretary-rules editor; and
- (b) One member shall be elected chair.
- 21.3 COMMON COMMITTEES—COMMITTEES WITH PLAYING RULES AND CHAMPIONSHIPS ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES
- 21.3.1 Selection, Composition and Duties
- 21.3.1.1 Method of Selection.** Each division's governance structure shall appoint members to serve on the committees with playing rules and championships administration responsibilities, subject to the ratification of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee also shall appoint the chair and secretary-rules editor of each committee. The secretary-rules editor may be reelected without restriction and shall be a nonvoting member of the committee. The membership of each committee shall include representatives from each of the Association's membership divisions. (Revised: 1/11/89, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97) #
- 21.3.1.2 Composition Requirements.** For committees that administer Division I, Division II, Division III and National Collegiate Championships in individual sports, at least 25 percent of the positions on each committee shall be filled by athletics administrators (i.e., athletics directors, associate or assistant athletics directors, senior woman athletics administrators, individuals who are employed full-time as administrators by member conferences, or individuals who are employed both part-time as administrators by member conferences and full-time by member institutions). For committees that administer Division II and National Collegiate Championships in team sports, at least 50 percent of the positions on each committee shall be filled by athletics administrators. In order for a district to be represented on a committee for which district representation is specified, at least five of its active members shall sponsor the sport on an intercollegiate basis. (Revised: 1/10/90, 1/10/95).
- 21.3.1.3 Special Operating Rules.** Each committee shall act as one body to formulate playing rules and determine general policies for the administration of the NCAA championships under its jurisdiction. Division subcommittees, composed of committee members from the respective divisions, shall be responsible for administering the respective division championships. #
- 21.3.1.4 Advisory Committees.** The governing sports committee may appoint individuals not already serving on a sports committee to an advisory committee. #
- 21.3.1.5 Duties**
- 21.3.1.5.1 Rules of Play.** Subject to the final authority of the Executive Committee, each rules committee shall establish and maintain rules of play in its sport consistent with the sound traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. These playing rules shall be common for all divisions of the Association, and differences among the divisions shall not be permitted, except for the division-specific playing regulations developed to address significant financial impact and approved by the divisions and the Executive Committee. (Revised: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97) #
- 21.3.1.5.2 National Records.** In sports for which national records are maintained, each committee shall be responsible for approval of such national records. #
- 21.3.1.5.3 Cooperation with Other Organizations.** A rules committee may cooperate with other national organizations in the development of common playing rules. (Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97) #
- 21.3.1.5.4 Operation.** The Executive Committee shall ratify policies regarding the length, location and expenses of common committee meetings. (Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97) #

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- # 21.3.2 Ice Hockey Committee, Women's. The Women's Ice Hockey Committee shall consist of seven members, including the secretary-rules editor. (*Adopted: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00*)
- 21.3.3 Lacrosse Committee, Men's
- # **21.3.3.1 Composition.** The Men's Lacrosse Committee shall consist of nine members. There shall be two members from Division III and an additional member shall be secretary-rules editor. The five Division I members shall include two representatives from the North region, two representatives from the South region and one representative from the West region. (*Revised: 4/20/99*)
- # **21.3.3.2 Advisory Committee.** There may be an advisory committee of six members elected from the U.S. Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association.
- # 21.3.4 Rifle Committee, Men's and Women's. The Men's and Women's Rifle Committee shall consist of seven members, including the secretary-rules editor.
- # 21.3.5 Skiing Committee, Men's and Women's. The Men's and Women's Skiing Committee shall consist of seven members and shall be constituted as follows: (*Revised: 1/11/89*)
- (a) Two positions shall be allocated for men, two allocated for women and three unallocated; and (*Revised: 1/11/89*)
 - (b) One member shall be selected from the West skiing region, two members shall be selected from the East skiing region, three members shall be selected at large and one member shall be secretary-rules editor. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)
- # 21.3.6 Swimming and Diving Committee, Men's and Women's. The Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee shall consist of 19 members and shall be constituted as follows:
- (a) There shall be at least two representatives from Districts 1 and 2; two representatives from District 3; two representatives from District 4; one representative from Districts 5, 6 and 7; and one representative from District 8; (*Revised: 1/10/95*)
 - (b) Four members shall be from Division II and shall compose a Division II subcommittee. Two members of the subcommittee shall represent men's swimming interests and two members shall represent women's swimming interests, including one position allocated for a man, one allocated for a woman and two unallocated;
 - (c) An additional four members shall represent diving interests, two representing men's diving and two representing women's diving. One shall be a Division II representative; and (*Revised: 1/13/98*)
 - (d) An additional member shall be secretary-rules editor.
- # 21.3.7 Track and Field Committee, Men's and Women's. The Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee shall consist of 25 members and shall be constituted as follows:
- (a) There shall be at least four representatives from each of the following four geographical regions: Districts 1 and 2; District 3; Districts 4 and 5; and Districts 6, 7 and 8;
 - (b) Six members shall be from Division II and shall compose a Division II subcommittee. Three members of the subcommittee shall represent men's track and field interests and three members shall represent women's track and field interests, including two positions allocated for men, two allocated for women and two unallocated;
 - (c) An additional member shall be secretary-rules editor; and
 - (d) A rules-editing subcommittee shall have five members, including one member appointed by the Division II subcommittees and the secretary-rules editor. The rules-editing subcommittee shall formulate playing rules subject to the approval of the full committee.
- # 21.3.8 Water Polo Committee, Men's. The Men's Water Polo Committee shall consist of six members, including the secretary-rules editor. At least one member shall represent each of the two water polo regions (East and West), and four members shall be selected at large. (*Revised: 1/13/98, 4/20/99*)
- # 21.3.9 Water Polo Committee, Women's. The Women's Water Polo Committee shall consist of three members, including the secretary-rules editor. (*Adopted: 1/10/00 effective 8/1/00*)
- # 21.3.10 Wrestling Committee. The Wrestling Committee shall consist of 13 members and shall be constituted as follows:
- (a) There shall be at least one representative from District 3 and at least two representatives from each of the following three geographical regions: Districts 1 and 2; Districts 4 and 5; and Districts 6, 7 and 8;
 - (b) Three members shall be from Division II; and
 - (c) An additional member shall be secretary-rules editor.

21.4 COMMON COMMITTEES—COMMITTEES WITH ONLY CHAMPIONSHIPS ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES

21.4.1 Selection, Composition and Duties

21.4.1.1 Method of Selection. Each applicable division's governance structure shall nominate and select the members and chair of each committee, subject to the ratification of the Executive Committee. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)* #

21.4.1.2 Duties. Each committee shall be responsible for developing policies and procedures governing the administration and conduct of the NCAA championships under its jurisdiction, subject to the approval of the applicable division's championships cabinet/committee and management council and the requirements, standards and conditions prescribed by Bylaw 31. Policies and procedures governing the administration of National Collegiate Championships applicable to more than one division also shall be subject to the ratification of the Executive Committee. (Also see Bylaw 31 for committee duties related to the administration of championships.) *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)* #

21.4.1.3 Special Operating Rules. Each committee shall act as one body to determine general policies for the administration of championships. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)* #

21.4.1.4 Selection Criteria. Each committee shall have the authority to establish championships selection criteria, including requirements to use regular-season playing rules that conform with rules used in NCAA championships under its jurisdiction in those sports for which the Association does not maintain playing rules. #

21.4.1.5 Regional Advisory Committees. Regional advisory committees may be appointed by each championships committee. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)* #

21.4.1.6 Operation. The Executive Committee shall ratify policies regarding the length, location and expenses of common committee meetings. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)* #

21.5 COMMON COMMITTEES—COMMITTEES WITH GOVERNANCE ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES

21.5.1 Selection. Each applicable division's governance structure shall appoint members to serve on the common committees with governance administration responsibilities, subject to the ratification of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee also shall appoint the chair. The membership of each committee shall include representatives from each of the Association's applicable membership divisions. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)* #

21.5.2 Operation. The Executive Committee shall ratify policies regarding the length, location and expenses of common committee meetings. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)* #

21.5.3 NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse Committee

21.5.3.1 Composition. The committee shall consist of nine members, including three members from Division II, one of which is the chair of the Division II Academic Requirements Committee. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.5.3.2 Duties. The committee shall oversee the operation of the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.5.4 NCAA Core-Course Review Committee *(Adopted: 1/13/98, Revised: 1/12/99)*

21.5.4.1 Composition

(a) The committee shall consist of 18 members who comprise subcommittees in the various academic disciplines as follows:

- (1) English—Four members;
- (2) Mathematics—Four members;
- (3) Natural/Physical Science—Four members;
- (4) Social Studies—Four members; and
- (5) Additional Academic Courses—Four members.

(b) The committee shall elect one member to serve as a chair for each subcommittee;

(c) The committee may use as it determines necessary additional members to review core courses in the various academic disciplines; and

(d) The Division II members of the common Core-Course Review Committee shall be appointed by and report directly to the Division II Academic Requirements Committee.

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21.5.4.2 Duties. The committee shall assist in the development of policies related to the identification of core courses and oversee the review of all core courses denied by the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse as meeting the initial-eligibility core-curriculum standards. *(Adopted: 1/13/98)*

21.5.5 NCAA Foreign Student Records Committee

21.5.5.1 Composition. The committee shall consist of nine members including three Division I representatives, three Division II representatives and three ex-officio members, one of which shall be the NCAA initial-eligibility clearinghouse's primary foreign student records consultant. *(Adopted: 1/11/00)*

21.5.5.2 Duties. The committee shall assist in reviewing initial-eligibility standards for international students. *(Adopted: 1/11/00)*

21.6 DIVISION II COMMITTEES

21.6.1 Eligibility for Membership

21.6.1.1 "On the Staff." Individuals serving on Division II committees or as Division II representatives on Association-wide or common committees shall be salaried on a regular basis by a Division II active member institution or conference and performing a regular staff function representing at least 50 percent of the normal workload for a staff member at that institution or conference, unless otherwise specified. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.1.1.1 Modification in Employment Status. If a committee member's employment status is altered to the extent that the individual no longer meets this requirement, the individual shall be replaced on the committee at the Division II Management Council and Presidents Council meetings immediately after the change in status. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.1.1.2 Individuals on Sabbatical or Temporary Leave. An individual on sabbatical or other temporary leave for a period not exceeding 12 consecutive months may be considered to be "on the staff" and eligible for committee membership. An individual on terminal leave or on leave in excess of 12 consecutive months shall not be eligible to serve on a committee. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.1.1.3 Reclassification from Division II to Division I or III. If a committee member's institution has forwarded to the national office written notice of its intention to change its membership classification to Division I or III, per Bylaw 20.5.2.1, that individual shall not be eligible to serve on any Division II committee. *(Adopted: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00 for those institutions that begin the reclassification period 9/1/00)*

21.6.2 Term of Office

21.6.2.1 Four-Year Term. Unless otherwise specified, the Division II members of committees shall be appointed or elected for one four-year term. Unless otherwise specified, a member's term of service shall commence on the first day of September after the member's election or appointment. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.2.2 Appointment or Election. Unless otherwise specified, the Division II members of committees will be appointed or elected by the Division II Management Council, subject to ratification by the Division II Presidents Council. Unless otherwise specified, a former committee member may be appointed or elected to an additional term on that committee after three years have elapsed. Unless otherwise specified, an individual who has served two terms on a committee may not serve further on that committee. A member serving more than one-half of a four-year term is ineligible to seek immediate reelection. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.2.2.1 Appointment or Election of Chairs. Unless otherwise specified, chairs of Division II specific committees shall be elected by the committees themselves for a term not to exceed two years. A chair is not eligible for immediate reelection to the position of chair. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.2.3 Appointment to Fill Vacancies. Whenever a vacancy occurs among the members of a Division II committee or among the Division II members of Association-wide or common committees, the Division II Management Council, subject to ratification by the Division II Presidents Council, may fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term by a majority vote of its members present and voting. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.2.3.1 Unexpired Portion of Term. Members appointed to fill vacancies shall be appointed only for the unexpired portion of that term. Members who serve more than one-half of a term in such instances shall be considered to have served a full term. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.2.4 Adjustments to Achieve Staggered Terms. Members may be appointed for less than full terms whenever it is necessary to adjust the membership of a committee to ensure that vacancies occur

in proper sequence. Members who serve more than one-half of a term in such instances shall be considered to have served a full term. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.2.5 Division II Management Council Representation. All Division II committees with fewer than seven members that report directly to the Management Council shall include at least one Management Council member, and Division II committees with more than six members that report directly to the Management Council shall include at least two Management Council members. In addition, at least one of the Division II representatives on committees functioning in an Association-wide capacity shall be a member of the Management Council. Management Council members shall serve as the liaisons for each committee to the Management Council. Unless otherwise specified, Management Council members shall serve as voting members of such committees. A Management Council member's term of service shall commence in January after adjournment of the annual Convention and shall be concurrent with his or her term of service on the Management Council. A Management Council member must terminate service on such a committee at the expiration of his or her term on the Management Council. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.3 Removal from Committee. The chair of each committee is authorized to recommend to the Division II Management Council that a member be replaced if such member is not discharging the member's duties properly. In addition, a member who is absent from two consecutive meetings without reasons approved by the Management Council shall be removed from the committee. The Management Council shall have authority to appoint a replacement for the unexpired portion of the term. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.4 Conflict of Interest. A committee member shall not participate in the committee's discussion or vote on any action that might bring direct or indirect financial benefit to the member or any organization in which the member is financially interested (other than the member's institution or the conference of which it is a member). A violation of this rule by a member of a committee shall not invalidate the action taken by the committee if, after disclosure of the conflict of interest, the committee authorizes, ratifies or approves the action by a vote sufficient for the purpose, without counting the vote of the committee member with the conflict of interest, and the Management Council approves such action. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.5 Meeting Length and Sites. The Management Council, subject to ratification by the Presidents Council, is responsible for developing policies governing the length, sites and expenses related to Division II committee meetings (see Bylaw 31.7.2). Such policies shall be published annually in the NCAA Committee Directory. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6 Division II General Committees. To conduct Division II business in an efficient and orderly fashion, the following Division II committees shall be established and shall report directly to the Division II Management Council. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.1 Academic Requirements Committee

21.6.6.1.1 Composition. The Division II Academic Requirements Committee shall consist of nine members, including two members of the Division II Management Council and at least one member representing the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.1.2 Duties. The committee shall: *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

- (a) Review and consider those portions of the Association's constitution and bylaws that affect Division II and relate to principles of sound academic requirements;
- (b) Study and create policies or legislative recommendations to forward to the Division II Management Council concerning relationships between Division II and its members and the nation's two-year colleges as represented by established regional and national organizations;
- (c) Review freshman eligibility requirements and establish procedures for granting waivers of such requirements;
- (d) Monitor procedures for gathering data on membership persistence and graduation rates and report the findings from the study of such rates; and
- (e) Be represented on the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse Committee by the chair of the Division II Academic Requirements Committee.

21.6.6.2 Division II Championships Committee

21.6.6.2.1 Composition. The Division II Championships Committee shall consist of 11 members, including the vice-chair and one other member of the Division II Management Council. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.2.1.1 Chair. The vice-chair of the Division II Management Council shall serve as chair of the Championships Committee. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

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21.6.6.2.2 Duties. The committee shall: *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/12/99)*

- (a) Make budgetary recommendations to the Division II Management Council for the conduct of Division II championships;
- (b) Supervise qualification and/or selection procedures for Division II championships;
- (c) Maintain oversight responsibility for applicable playing regulations in the areas of player safety, financial impact, image of the sport and the impact on the ability to administer any rule during the regular season and during the administration of the championship in the applicable sport, and approve appeals for exceptions to the applicable playing regulations when significant financial impact may occur (subject to the final authority of the Executive Committee); *(Revised: 1/12/99)*
- (d) Review and act on recommendations from Division II sports committees regarding the administration of those championships;
- (e) Process other issues related to the administration of the events;
- (f) Act for the Division II Presidents Council and Management Council as the final authority regarding championships matters in Division II that are subject to appeal;
- (g) Maintain responsibility for issues involving college all-star football and basketball contests; and
- (h) Select sports committee representatives, subject to ratification by the Division II Management Council.

21.6.6.2.2.1 Recommendations from Division II Sports Committees. All Division II sports committees report directly to the Division II Championships Committee. All sports committee recommendations shall be processed through the championships committee, then to the Management Council and are subject to ratification by the Division II Presidents Council. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.3 Infractions, Division II Committee on

21.6.6.3.1 Composition. The Division II Committee on Infractions shall consist of five members, including one member of the Division II Management Council and one individual from the general public who is not associated with a collegiate institution, conference, professional or similar sports organization or who represents coaches or athletes in any capacity. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.3.2 Term of Office. A member shall serve a four-year term and shall be eligible for immediate reelection. A member may not serve more than two terms on the committee. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.3.3 Duties. The committee shall: *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

- (a) Consider complaints that may be filed with the Association charging the failure of any Division II member to maintain the academic or athletics standards required for membership or the failure of any Division II member to meet the conditions and obligations of membership in the Association;
- (b) Formulate and revise in accordance with the requirements of Bylaw 19.4, a statement of its established operating policies and procedures, including investigative guidelines (see Bylaw 32);
- (c) Determine facts related to alleged violations and find violations of NCAA rules and requirements;
- (d) Refer consideration of a case or any portion of a case involving disputed facts to a hearing officer;
- (e) Impose an appropriate penalty or “show-cause” requirement on a Division II member found to be involved in a major violation (or on appeal on a Division II member found to be involved in a secondary violation) or recommend to the Division II Presidents Council suspension or termination of membership; and
- (f) Carry out any other duties directly related to the administration of the Division II enforcement program.

21.6.6.3.4 Authority of Committee on Infractions. Disciplinary or corrective actions other than suspension or termination of membership may be effected during the period between the Division II business session of the annual Convention by members of the committee on infractions present and voting at any duly called meeting, provided the call of such a meeting shall have contained notice of the situation presenting the disciplinary problem. Actions of the committee in cases involving major violations, however, shall be subject to review by the Division II Management Council per Bylaw 19.3, on appeal. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.3.5 Authority of Vice-President for Enforcement Services. On review of information developed by the enforcement staff or self-reported by the member institution, the vice-president for enforcement services shall identify the charges as involving alleged major or secondary violations, or repeated secondary violations that should be viewed as a major violation, subject to approval by the committee chair or another member of the committee designated by the chair. Disciplinary or corrective actions in the case of secondary violations may be effected by the vice-president for enforcement services, subject to approval by the committee chair or another member of the committee designated by the chair. Said actions shall be taken in accordance with the provisions of the enforcement policies and procedures and shall be subject to review by the committee on appeal. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.3.6 Authority of Committee Chair. In the interim between meetings of the committee, the chair shall be empowered to act on behalf of the committee, subject to committee approval at its next meeting. If at any time, at a meeting or between meetings, the chair is unavailable to act as such, the member of the committee longest in service who is available is empowered to exercise the functions of the chair. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.3.7 Authority of Management Council. The Management Council per Bylaw 19.3 shall hear and act on an institution's appeal of the findings of major violations by the committee. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.4 Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee

21.6.6.4.1 Composition. The Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee shall consist of five members, including one member of the Division II Management Council. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.4.2 Duties. The committee shall have the authority under Bylaw 14.12 to determine all matters pertaining to the policies and procedures for the reinstatement of eligibility of a Division II student-athlete who is ineligible for intercollegiate competition as a result of an NCAA rules violation, and for waivers of legislation that the Division II Management Council or membership has authorized the committee to grant. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/13/98)*

21.6.6.4.2.1 Procedures. The procedures for processing such appeals or requests shall be established by the Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee and approved by the Division II Management Council. The committee may reinstate eligibility immediately, may reinstate eligibility at a future time or may determine that eligibility should not be reinstated. The committee also may impose conditions for reinstatement of eligibility. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/13/98)*

21.6.6.4.2.2 Authority of Director of Student-Athlete Reinstatement. Subject to review by the Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee, the director of student-athlete reinstatement is authorized to apply the Division II eligibility rules. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/13/98)*

21.6.6.4.2.3 Appeals. After the director of student-athlete reinstatement has acted on an eligibility matter, the involved Division II institution may appeal the decision to the Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee. The committee's determination shall be final, binding and conclusive and shall not be subject to further review by the Division II Management Council or any other authority. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/13/98)*

21.6.6.5 Division II Legislation Committee

21.6.6.5.1 Composition. The Division II Legislation Committee shall consist of 11 members, including two members of the Division II Management Council. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.5.2 Duties. The committee shall: *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

- (a) Determine interpretations of all Division II-specific legislation;
- (b) Incorporate new legislation and interpretations in the NCAA Manual;
- (c) Review deregulation issues in consultation with other Division II committees;
- (d) Approve the publication of supplementary compilations of interpretations; and
- (e) Review and consider legislative issues of those portions of the Association's constitution and bylaws that relate to the principles governing financial aid and amateurism, professional sports relations, recruiting, personnel limitations, and playing and practice seasons.

21.6.6.6 Division II Membership Committee

21.6.6.6.1 Composition. The Division II Membership Committee shall consist of seven members, including two members of the Division II Management Council. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

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21.6.6.6.2 Duties. The committee shall: *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

- (a) Review and consider issues pertaining to the Division II membership requirements and membership compliance; and
- (b) Handle Convention tasks related to Division II business, which include examining the credentials of Division II delegates, determining (subject to appeal of the Division II membership) the authority of any Division II delegate to vote or otherwise represent a member institution at an annual or special Convention and counting the votes at an annual or special Convention.

21.6.6.7 Division II Nominating Committee

21.6.6.7.1 Composition. The Division II Nominating Committee shall consist of 11 members, including two members of the Division II Management Council. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.7.2 Duties

- (a) Giving due weight to gender and ethnic diversity, as well as diversity by position and conference affiliation, the committee shall present to the Division II Management Council nominations for vacancies on all Division II-specific committees, and for the Division II positions on committees functioning in an Association-wide or multidivisional capacity. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*
- (b) Giving due weight to gender and ethnic diversity, as well as regional representation, the committee shall present to the Division II Championships Committee nominations for vacancies on all Division II men's and women's sports committees. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.8 Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

21.6.6.8.1 Composition. The Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee shall consist of one representative from each of the Division II multisport voting conferences, one representative of Division II independent institutions, two at-large positions to enhance efforts to achieve diversity of representation and two members of the Division II Management Council. A student-athlete representative initially must be a full-time undergraduate or graduate student at a Division II institution, as defined by the regulations of the institution, and must be a student-athlete or a former student-athlete in a Division II sport. Each conference representative must be initially enrolled as an undergraduate or graduate student at a Division II institution in the applicable conference. The two Management Council members shall serve as ex officio, nonvoting members of the committee. A Division II conference may permit a representative to complete his or her term after the individual has left undergraduate or graduate school at a Division II institution in the conference, provided such service does not extend the individual's term, as set forth in the individual's original appointment. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/12/99, 1/7/00)*

21.6.6.8.2 Vacancies. When a vacancy on the committee occurs, the applicable conference shall nominate two student-athletes, each from different active member institutions in the conference. Nominations for the independent position and at-large positions will be solicited by the Division II Nominating Committee. Giving due weight to gender and ethnic diversity, as well as diversity by sports participation, student-athlete representatives shall be selected by the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee from the slate of nominees, subject to ratification by the Division II Management Council and Presidents Council. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.8.3 Term of Office. A student-athlete representative shall not serve more than two years on the committee but may request reappointment for another two-year term, subject to the conference's recommendation and the chair's approval. Student-athletes may serve on the committee up to two years after completion of their intercollegiate athletics eligibility. A Management Council representative's term of office shall be concurrent with his or her term of service on the Management Council. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.6.8.4 Duties. The committee shall receive information on and explanations of NCAA activities and legislation pertaining to Division II and, in consultation with the Division II Management Council, shall review and react to topics referred to it by other Division II committees and by the Division II Presidents Council and Management Council, participate in an annual summit with the Division II Management Council and participate in the Division II legislative process through involvement at the annual Convention. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.7 Sports Committees with Only Division II Championships Administration Responsibilities. To conduct Division II championships in an efficient and orderly fashion, Division II sports committees shall be established and will report directly to the Division II Championships Committee (see Bylaw 21.7.6.2). *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.7.1 Selection, Composition and Duties

21.6.7.1.1 Method of Selection. The members of each Division II sports committee and the Division II representatives on Association-wide and common rules committees shall be nominated by the Division II Nominating Committee and shall be selected by the Division II Championships Committee, subject to ratification by the Division II Management Council. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

21.6.7.1.1.1 Appointment to Fill Vacancies. Whenever a vacancy occurs among the members of a Division II sports committee, the Division II Championships Committee, subject to ratification by the Division II Management Council, may fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term by a majority vote of its members present and voting. (*Adopted: 1/13/98*)

21.6.7.1.1.2 Unexpired Portion of Term. Members appointed to fill vacancies shall be appointed only for the unexpired portion of that term. Members who serve more than one-half of a term in such instances shall be considered to have served a full term. (*Adopted: 1/13/98*)

21.6.7.1.2 Composition Requirements. For sports committees in both team and individual sports that administer Division II championships and for Division II representatives on Association-wide and common rules committees, at least 50 percent of the positions on each committee shall be filled by athletics administrators (i.e., athletics directors, associate or assistant athletics directors, senior woman administrators, individuals who are employed full time as administrators by member conferences, or individuals who are employed both part time as administrators by member conferences and full time by member institutions). An institutional staff member who performs both coaching and administrative functions may be counted as either an athletics administrator or a coach. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

21.6.7.1.3 Duties. Each Division II sports committee shall be responsible for developing policies, procedures and selection criteria governing the administration and conduct of the NCAA Division II championships under its jurisdiction and shall be responsible for administering such championships (subject to the approval of the Division II Championships Committee and the Division II Management Council, subject to ratification by the Division II Presidents Council) and the requirements, standards and conditions prescribed by Bylaw 31. (Also see Bylaw 31 for committee duties related to the administration of championships.) (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

21.6.7.1.4 Selection Criteria. Each Division II sports committee shall have the authority to establish championships selection criteria (subject to the approval of the Division II Championships Committee and the Division II Management Council, subject to ratification by the Division II Presidents Council) including requirements to use regular-season playing rules that conform with rules used in NCAA championships under its jurisdiction in those sports for which the Association does not maintain playing rules. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

21.6.7.1.5 Regional Advisory Committees. Regional advisory committees may be appointed by each sports committee as prescribed by the Division II Championships Committee, as ratified by the Division II Management Council. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

21.6.7.2 Baseball Committee. The Division II Baseball Committee shall consist of eight members. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

21.6.7.3 Basketball Committee, Men's. The Division II Men's Basketball Committee shall consist of eight members. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

21.6.7.4 Basketball Committee, Women's. The Division II Women's Basketball Committee shall consist of eight members. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

21.6.7.5 Field Hockey. The Division II Field Hockey Committee shall consist of three members. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

21.6.7.6 Football Committee. The Division II Football Committee shall consist of four members. One member shall be elected from each of the four Division II football regions. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

21.6.7.7 Golf Committee, Men's. The Division II Men's Golf Committee shall consist of three members. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

21.6.7.8 Golf Committee, Women's. The Division II Women's Golf Committee shall consist of four members. (*Adopted: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99, Revised: 1/10/00*)

21.6.7.9 Lacrosse Committee, Men's. The Division II Men's Lacrosse Committee shall consist of the Division II representative to the common Men's Lacrosse Committee with playing rules and championships administration responsibilities (see Bylaw 21.3.3) and two additional members. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

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21.6.7.10 Lacrosse Committee, Women's. The Division II Women's Lacrosse Committee shall consist of three members. *(Adopted: 1/7/00 effective 8/1/00)*

21.6.7.11 Soccer Committee, Men's. The Division II Men's Soccer Committee shall consist of eight members. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/12/99)*

21.6.7.12 Soccer Committee, Women's. The Division II Women's Soccer Committee shall consist of eight members. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/12/99)*

21.6.7.13 Softball Committee, Women's. The Division II Women's Softball Committee shall consist of eight members. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.7.14 Swimming and Diving Committee, Men's and Women's. The Division II Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee shall consist of the four Division II representatives to the common Men's and Women's Swimming Committee with playing rules and championships administration responsibilities (see Bylaw 21.3.6). *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.7.15 Tennis Committee, Men's and Women's. The Division II Men's and Women's Tennis Committee shall consist of eight members. Four members of the committee shall represent men's tennis interests, and four members shall represent women's tennis interests, including three positions allocated for men, three allocated for women and two unallocated. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/13/98)*

21.6.7.16 Track and Field Committee, Men's and Women's. The Division II Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee shall consist of the six Division II representatives to the common Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee with playing rules and championships administration responsibilities (see Bylaw 21.3.7) and two additional members. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 1/10/00)*

21.6.7.16.1 Track and Field. The Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee shall be responsible for the Division II cross country, indoor track and field, and outdoor track and field championships. (See Bylaw 31 for committee duties related to the administration of championships.) *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.7.17 Volleyball Committee, Women's. The Division II Women's Volleyball Committee shall consist of eight members. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

21.6.7.18 Wrestling Committee. The Division II Wrestling Committee shall consist of the three Division II representatives to the common Wrestling Committee with playing rules and championships administration responsibilities (see Bylaw 21.3.10). *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

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22.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLE

The telecasting, cablecasting or otherwise televising of intercollegiate football games of member institutions may be subject to the provisions enacted by the Association.

22.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

22.02.1 National Telecast or Cablecast. A national telecast or cablecast is a release on a single date of a live game or games telecast or cablecast by a single television network, syndicator or programming entity into markets containing at least 20 million homes in at least 30 states, or containing at least 50 percent of the USA television homes as reported by the annual edition of Television and Cable Factbook (and all updates thereto issued before August 1 of the year in which the game or games are played).

22.1 FOOTBALL TELEVISION PLANS

The telecasting, cablecasting or otherwise televising of member institutions' intercollegiate football games during the regular football season may be conducted in accordance with voluntary television plans for one or more of the divisions. Such plans may be prepared from time to time by the Management Council and approved by majority vote of those voting in the respective divisions (see Bylaw 22.1.1).

22.1.1 Division Control. Each division shall determine its own procedure for the formulation and adoption of any television plan. Majority approval is required within each division before a plan may be adopted by that division. The members of a division may approve such a plan by mail referendum (see Constitution 5.3.10.3).

22.2 FOOTBALL TELECAST/CABLECAST REGULATIONS

Regardless of whether a division adopts a football television plan for a particular season, all forms of telecasting, cablecasting or otherwise televising of the intercollegiate football games of member institutions during the regular football season shall be governed by the following:

22.2.1 Simultaneous Telecast/Cablecast of Friday Night Games. There shall be no simultaneous telecasting or cablecasting of regular-season intercollegiate football games on Friday nights. Any afternoon football telecast or cablecast on Friday must be completed by 7 p.m. local time in each location in which the program is received.

22.2.2 Mutual Consent for Telecast/Cablecast of Games. A member institution shall not be obligated to telecast or cablecast any of its intercollegiate football games, home or away. A member institution may not make any commitment for the simultaneous or delayed telecasting or cablecasting of any game without the prior written consent of its opponent institution.

22.2.3 Assessment against National Telecast/Cablecast Gross Rights Fee. The gross rights fee paid to each member institution for a national telecast or cablecast of an intercollegiate football game shall be subject to an assessment of four percent, paid by the home institution to the NCAA to fund the costs of the NCAA postgraduate scholarship program and football-related services performed by the NCAA.

22.2.3.1 Waiver. The Executive Committee shall have the authority to waive this assessment on an annual basis. (*Adopted: 4/14/92*)

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30.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLE

Constitution 5.2.3 authorizes the applicable presidential administrative group to adopt or amend administrative regulations. *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/97)*

30.1 ADMISSIONS AND GRADUATION-RATE DISCLOSURE,
DIVISIONS I, II AND III

An institution shall not be eligible to enter a team or an individual competitor in an NCAA championship unless it has completed the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System Graduation-Rate Survey (IPEDS GRS-1) on or before the applicable deadline established by federal regulations. *(Revised: 1/10/90, 1/6/91 effective immediately for data collection, effective 10/1/91 for disclosure in Division I and 7/1/93 for disclosure in Division II, Revised: 4/15/92, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised in Division I: 10/28/97, Revised: 4/13/99)*

30.2 ALL-STAR CONTESTS

30.2.1 High-School Football and Basketball. As provided in Bylaw 14.6, a student-athlete shall be denied the first year of intercollegiate athletics competition if, after completion of high-school eligibility in the student-athlete’s sport and before the student-athlete’s high-school graduation, the student-athlete competes in more than two all-star football contests or two all-star basketball contests.

30.2.1.1 High-School All-Star Contest Defined. A high-school all-star contest is any contest in the sport of football or basketball that meets the following criteria:

- (a) The teams participating in the contest involve individuals who have completed their high school eligibility in the sport and have not yet enrolled in and attended classes during a regular term at a collegiate institution;
- (b) The contest is scheduled and publicized in advance;
- (c) The competition is sponsored and promoted by an individual, organization or agency; and
- (d) The individuals are selected for participation in the contest on an invitational basis and have not competed together previously as members of a team that played a regular schedule of games in an organized recreation or interscholastic program.

30.2.1.2 Contests Not Considered High-School All-Star Competition. Contests conducted under the criteria listed in Bylaw 30.2.1.1 shall not be considered all-star competition for purposes of Bylaw 14.6 if one or more of the following conditions is applicable:

- (a) The contest occurs within a framework of a regularly scheduled recreational program involving solely participants from the community in which the sponsor is located;
- (b) The competition is limited solely to participants from the community in which the sponsor is located and no revenue, including gate receipts, concessions, program sales or contributions, is generated from the contest;

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- (c) The competition is scheduled within the framework of an established cultural exchange program involving other educational activities; or
- (d) The contest is scheduled in conjunction with developmental competition sponsored by the national governing body of amateur basketball (USA Basketball) or an active member thereof.

30.2.1.3 Multiple Competition (Tournaments). Multiple competition (e.g., tournaments) involving more than one contest or two teams will be considered high-school all-star competition if the specific criteria in Bylaw 30.2.1.1 (subject to the conditions in Bylaw 30.2.1.2) are applicable. Each game conducted under such circumstances would be considered a high-school all-star contest.

30.2.1.4 Facility Use for High-School All-Star Games. An institution is prohibited from making its facilities available for a high school all-star game unless the conditions specified in Bylaw 13.12.3.3 are met.

30.2.2 College Football and Basketball. A member institution is prohibited from allowing its facilities to be used for any college all-star football or basketball contest unless the contest is certified as meeting the requirements specified below. (See Bylaw 11.1.6 for regulations governing the involvement of athletics department staff members in all-star football or basketball contests that are not certified.) (*Revised: 8/4/89*)

30.2.2.1 Application for Inauguration of Contest. Application for the inauguration of a contest will be received only at a regular meeting of the Championships Committee, and the committee will approve or disapprove the application at one of its meetings held during the next year. The proposing sponsor shall submit to the committee, with its application form, a projected financial report showing the financial soundness of the proposed game, which would include the amount of revenue currently available to the game, or to which game management may have access, to guarantee game and team expenses. A new all-star game shall secure annually (for a three-year period from its initial certification date) an irrevocable letter of credit guaranteeing the minimum payout to applicable educational or charitable organization(s), plus an additional 25 percent of projected expenses to cover expenses related to game management, operations and administration. (*Revised: 4/15/92*)

30.2.2.2 Conduct of Game. Game management shall provide evidence of the experience it has in conducting all-star games or similar events and conduct the game in accordance with the Association's principles for the conduct of intercollegiate athletics, as set forth in Constitution 2 and interpretations relating thereto. (*Revised: 4/15/92*)

30.2.2.3 Distribution of Income. The sponsoring agency shall distribute to approved nonprofit educational or charitable organization(s) the greater of the following revenues: (*Revised: 4/15/92*)

- (a) Ten thousand dollars from basketball all-star games; \$100,000 from football all-star games in which Divisions I or III student-athletes participate; or \$20,000 from football all-star games in which Division II student-athletes participate; (*Adopted: 4/15/92, Revised: 8/14/96 effective 8/1/97*)
- (b) Fifteen percent of the gross receipts generated by the all-star game; or (*Adopted: 4/15/92*)
- (c) One hundred percent of the game's net income. (*Adopted: 4/15/92*)

30.2.2.3.1 Charitable or Educational Status. Game management shall submit, as part of certification, the name(s) of the organization(s) and appropriate documentation establishing the tax-exempt or not-for-profit status of the charitable/educational organization(s) that will receive a share of its gross receipts. (*Adopted: 4/15/92*)

30.2.2.4 Eligible Participants. Participation shall be limited to enrolled or graduated student-athletes who have exhausted their seasons of eligibility in the sport but who were eligible to compete on their institution's intercollegiate team in that sport during the preceding season.

30.2.2.5 Written Permission from Athletics Director. Game management shall obtain written permission from the athletics director of the student-athlete's institution before inviting a student-athlete to compete in its contest.

30.2.2.6 Date of Football Game. A certified college all-star football game shall be played on or before January 21 during the academic year in which the participating student-athletes have exhausted their seasons of eligibility in the sport.

30.2.2.6.1 Management Council Waiver. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may waive the January 21 date. (*Revised: 8/3/90*)

30.2.2.7 Insurance. The management of each certified game shall provide the following insurance coverages and submit to the national office, no later than 60 days before the game, the appropriate certification of insurance showing evidence of such coverages: (*Revised: 10/18/89*)

- (a) Basic accident-medical insurance for each participating student-athlete in the amount per injury equal to the deductible of the current NCAA catastrophic-injury insurance policy; (*Revised: 4/13/99*)
- (b) Catastrophic-injury medical insurance for each participating student-athlete that provides life-time medical, rehabilitation and disability benefits in excess of the basic coverage, equal to the NCAA-sponsored program or an alternate program approved by the Championships Committee;
- (c) Primary comprehensive general liability coverage listing the NCAA as an additional insured, with combined single limits of at least \$1 million per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage; and
- (d) Coverages in (a) and (b) shall be in effect while the participating student-athletes are traveling to and from the all-star game site and while they are in the host city.

30.2.2.8 Awards. Awards shall be subject to the restrictions set forth in Bylaw 16.1.

30.2.2.9 Tickets. Game management shall sell tickets at face value for at least 40 percent of the capacity of the stadium or arena where the contest will occur. (*Adopted: 4/15/92*)

30.2.2.10 Application for Recertification of Contest. Application for recertification of a contest shall be received in the national office not later than July 1. Any application received after that date shall be postmarked not later than June 24. Failure to submit the appropriate information by that date or to comply with the requirements set forth by the Championships Committee may result in a decision not to certify the event. (*Revised: 4/15/92*)

30.2.2.11 Certification Fee. Each all-star game annually shall pay to the Association a \$1,000 certification fee on notice of certification. (*Adopted: 4/15/92*)

30.2.2.12 Financial Report of Previous Game. The management of each certified game shall submit to the Championships Committee an audited financial report certified by an independent accounting firm of the immediate past game before an ensuing contest may be certified. All materials shall be received in the national office by mail or wired transmission not later than July 1. Any report received after that date shall be postmarked not later than June 24. Failure to submit the appropriate information by that date may result in a decision not to recertify the event. (*Revised: 4/15/92*)

30.3 CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

A member institution shall not be eligible to enter a team or individual competitors in an NCAA championship unless its chief executive officer makes an annual institutional eligibility certification [see Bylaw 18.4.2.1-(d)] attesting that the conditions specified below have been satisfied. The certification shall be completed not later than September 15. (*Revised: 1/10/95*)

30.3.1 NCAA Rules Review. The chief executive or a designated representative has reviewed with all athletics department staff members the rules and regulations of the NCAA as they apply to the administration and conduct of intercollegiate athletics.

30.3.2 Coaching Staff Disciplinary Actions. At the time of such certification, and as a result of involvement in a violation of the Association's legislation as determined by the Committee on Infractions or the Management Council, no current member of the institution's coaching staff:

- (a) Shall have been temporarily or permanently suspended from coaching duties by another member institution within the last two years; or
- (b) Shall have been prohibited within the last two years, as a result of violations occurring while employed by another member institution, from participating in identified coaching-related activities, unless the prohibition has been equally applied by the certifying institution with respect to the individual's coaching-related activities on behalf of it; or
- (c) Shall have been permitted within the last two years to perform any coaching-related activities for the certifying institution that were prohibited after determination by the Committee on Infractions of an "appropriate disciplinary action" for the individual in accordance with the show-cause provision of Bylaw 19.6.2.2-(l) of the NCAA enforcement procedures.

30.3.2.1 Period of Suspension or Prohibition. The period of suspension or prohibition established by the Committee on Infractions or the Management Council must be in effect for the provisions set forth in Bylaw 30.3.2 to apply.

30.3.2.2 Due-Process Requirement. The affected coaching staff member must be given through the appropriate institution notice of an opportunity to be heard at both the NCAA hearing resulting in the finding of involvement in the violation and the institutional hearing resulting in suspension or prohibition.

30.3.3 Certification of Policies, Procedures and Practices. The policies, procedures and practices

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of the institution, its staff members and representatives of athletics interests are in compliance at the present time with the Association's legislation insofar as the chief executive officer can determine.

30.3.4 Maintenance of Compliance. It is the intention of the institution to maintain such compliance.

30.3.5 Report of NCAA Violation Involving Institution. A current statement has been filed with the chief executive officer, as a part of the institution's annual certification, which is signed by each athletics department staff member (except for clerical personnel) and, at a Division III institution or an institution that is classified in Division III in a sport, by the institutional financial aid officer or comparable campus official, attesting that the individual has reported any knowledge of an involvement in any violations of NCAA legislation involving the institution.

30.4 CONSORTIUM, ATHLETICS

An athletics consortium (see Constitution 3.1.2) may be approved by a two-thirds vote of the Management Council, provided the criteria specified below are met.

30.4.1 General Policy. In general, a consortium shall be approved on the basis of existing academic considerations with the understanding that there shall be no change in the basic recruitment, enrollment or financial aid policies of the involved institutions as a result of such approval.

30.4.2 Combining Entire Athletics Programs. The institutions shall combine their entire athletics programs, and the consortium shall not be formed on a sport-by-sport basis.

30.4.3 Conference Approval. An institution that belongs to an NCAA member conference first shall receive approval of its conference before instituting a consortium for its intercollegiate athletics program. If more than one institution holds such conference membership, all such conferences shall approve the consortium.

30.4.4 Eligibility Requirements for Student-Athletes. Participating student-athletes shall meet all eligibility requirements of the member institution(s), the athletics conference(s) involved and the NCAA. The member institution(s) shall certify the eligibility of all student-athletes under those rules.

30.4.5 Financial Assistance to Student-Athletes. Within a consortium:

- (a) Each institution shall be responsible for the financial assistance awarded to its student-athletes. The financial arrangement between or among the institutions for the exchange of funds to cover the academic costs of student-athletes who take part in the exchange program shall apply to student-athletes in the same manner as it applies to those students not participating in the intercollegiate athletics program;
- (b) One institution may not provide a scholarship or any other form of financial aid to a student-athlete enrolled in another institution or transmit a scholarship or grant-in-aid to another institution to be used by one or more of its student-athletes; and
- (c) Financial aid limitations as set forth in Bylaw 15 shall be applicable to the consortium as one entity and shall include all countable student-athletes, regardless of the institution in which they are enrolled.

30.4.6 Length of Approval. NCAA approval shall be for a four-academic-year period, at the end of which the institutions shall submit a report on the program setting forth its effect upon their academic and athletics operations. (*Revised: 8/4/89*)

30.4.7 NCAA Division Membership. The institutions may be members of different NCAA divisions but shall select one division for legislative and competitive purposes.

30.4.8 NCAA Member Involvement. At least one of the institutions already shall be a member of the NCAA, and no more than one nonmember institution shall be included.

30.4.9 NCAA Membership Application. The institutions shall apply for NCAA membership as a consortium and shall be considered as one member of the Association, with their combined names included on the official NCAA membership list.

30.4.10 Prior Academic Consortium Relationship. The institutions shall have had a prior academic consortium relationship.

30.4.11 Recruitment. It is permissible for one institution to recruit prospective student-athletes with a view to their possible enrollment at another institution in the consortium, provided the individuals qualify for admission to that institution and the athletics interests of the member institution are not involved, directly or indirectly, in influencing the admission or award of financial assistance.

30.5 DRUG-TESTING CONSENT FORM

The following procedures shall be used in administering the drug-testing consent form required in Bylaw 14.1.4 (see also Constitution 3.2.4.6): (*Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92*)

- (a) The consent form shall be administered individually to each student-athlete by the director of athletics or the director of athletics' designee each academic year; and
- (b) The statement shall be kept on file by the director of athletics and shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA.

30.6 FIVE-YEAR/10-SEMESTER RULE WAIVER

As authorized in Bylaws 14.2.1.6 and 14.2.2.3, the Management Council, or a Management Council-designated committee, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers of the 10-semester rule.

30.6.1 Waiver Criteria. A waiver of the five-year/10-semester period of eligibility is designed to provide a student-athlete with the opportunity to participate in four seasons of intercollegiate competition within a five-year period. This waiver may be granted, based upon objective evidence, for reasons that are beyond the control of the student-athlete or the institution, which deprive the student-athlete of the opportunity to participate for more than one season in his/her sport within the five-year or 10-semester period. The Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee reserves the right to review requests that do not meet the more-than-one-year criteria detailed in this bylaw for circumstances of extraordinary or extreme hardship. (*Revised: 4/17/91, 1/11/94, 8/10/94, 10/12/95*)

30.6.1.1 Circumstances considered to be beyond the control of the student-athlete or the institution and do not cause a participation opportunity to be used shall include, but are not limited to, the following: (*Adopted: 8/10/94, Revised: 10/12/95*)

- (a) Situations clearly supported by contemporaneous medical documentation, which states that a student-athlete is unable to participate in intercollegiate competition as a result of incapacitating physical or mental circumstances;
- (b) The student-athlete is unable to attend a collegiate institution full time as a result of a life-threatening or incapacitating injury or illness suffered by a member of the student-athlete's immediate family, which clearly is supported by contemporaneous medical documentation;
- (c) Reliance by the student-athlete on written, contemporaneous, clearly erroneous academic advice provided to the student-athlete from a specific academic authority from a collegiate institution regarding the academic status of the student-athlete or prospective student-athlete, which directly leads to that individual not being eligible to participate and, but for the clearly erroneous advice, the student-athlete would have established eligibility for intercollegiate competition; (*Revised: 10/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)
- (d) Natural disasters (e.g., earthquakes, floods);
- (e) Extreme financial difficulties as a result of a specific event (e.g., layoff, death in the family) experienced by the student-athlete or by an individual on whom the student-athlete is legally dependent, which prohibit the student-athlete from participating in intercollegiate athletics. These circumstances must be clearly supported by objective documentation (e.g., decree of bankruptcy, proof of termination) and must be beyond the control of the student-athlete or the individual on whom the student-athlete is legally dependent. (*Adopted: 10/12/95, Revised: 10/28/97*)

30.6.1.2 Circumstances that are considered to be within the control of the student-athlete or the institution and cause a participation opportunity to be used include, but are not limited to, the following: (*Adopted: 8/10/94, Revised: 10/12/95*)

- (a) A student-athlete's decision to attend an institution that does not sponsor his/her sport, or decides not to participate at an institution that does sponsor his/her sport;
- (b) An inability to participate due to failure to meet institutional/conference or NCAA academic requirements, or disciplinary reasons or incarceration culminating in or resulting from a conviction; (*Revised: 10/12/95*)
- (c) Reliance by a student-athlete on misinformation from a coaching staff member;
- (d) Redshirt year;
- (e) An inability to participate as a result of a transfer year in residence or fulfilling a condition for restoration of eligibility; and
- (f) A student-athlete's lack of understanding regarding the specific starting date of his or her five-year/10-semester period of eligibility. (*Adopted: 10/9/96 effective 8/1/97*)

Foreign Tours and Competition/30.7—Outside Competition/30.8.1

30.7 FOREIGN TOURS AND COMPETITION

A member institution may participate in a foreign tour in any sport (see Bylaw 17.30), provided the conditions specified below are met. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

30.7.1 Certification of Tour. The institution must certify in writing that the conditions set forth in this section are met and must maintain the certification on file in the athletics department. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

30.7.2 Eligibility of Student-Athletes. The eligibility of student-athletes on the tour shall be governed by the following (see also Bylaw 14.2.4.4):

- (a) If the tour takes place during the summer, the student-athlete shall have been enrolled at the institution as a full-time student during the previous academic year and have established by the beginning of the tour that he or she is eligible for competition the academic year immediately after the tour; or (*Revised: 1/12/99*)
- (b) If the tour takes place after the academic year has started, the student-athlete shall be regularly enrolled in the institution and eligible for intercollegiate competition.

30.7.2.1 Incoming Student Participation. In a sport that has no limitations on preseason practice, it is not permissible for an incoming student-athlete to participate as a member of the institution's team on a foreign tour that occurs before the beginning of his or her first term. In sports with limitations on preseason practice (e.g., football, basketball), it is permissible for an eligible incoming student-athlete to represent the institution only on a foreign tour that begins after the permissible starting practice date in the sport involved or after the first day of classes of his or her first regular term at the institution.

30.7.3 Football Postseason Opportunity. A foreign football tour shall be considered that institution's postseason opportunity for that season, the accounting period to commence with the start of the institution's normal beginning of fall football practice.

30.7.4 Time Lapse between Tours. An institution shall not engage in a foreign tour in each sport more than once every four years in Divisions I and II. In Divisions II and III, participation during the summer is counted in the previous academic year. (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

30.7.4.1 Additional Basketball Restriction. In the sport of basketball, an institution may not engage in an institutionally approved foreign tour in any academic year (or the summer immediately thereafter) in which the institution uses in that year any of the exceptions set forth in Bylaw 17.5.5.3.

30.7.5 Maximum Number of Contests/Competition Dates. A team shall be limited to a maximum of three football games, 10 basketball games or 10 contests or dates of competition in any other sport during and as part of the tour. (*Revised: 1/10/91*)

30.7.6 Opponents. The team shall not compete during the tour against other American teams (colleges or other U.S. teams) other than teams composed of U.S. armed forces personnel stationed at U.S. military bases in foreign countries.

30.7.6.1 Exception—Women's Rowing. It is permissible for rowing teams representing NCAA member institutions to compete against each other as part of the Henley Royal Regatta. (*Adopted: 1/10/00*)

30.7.7 Practice Limitation. Not more than 10 days of practice are permitted before departure.

30.7.8 Timing of Tour. The tour shall be scheduled during the summer-vacation period between the institution's spring and fall terms or during any other vacation period published in the institution's official catalog. All travel to and from the foreign country must take place during such a vacation period. However, if the team crosses the international date line during the tour, the change of date will be disregarded and the equivalent time as measured in the United States will be used to determine the institution's vacation period. (*Revised: 10/18/89*)

30.8 OUTSIDE COMPETITION, NATIONAL TEAM

+ Student-athletes are prohibited from participating in organized outside competition except as specifically provided in Bylaw 14.7.

+ 30.8.1 National-Team Criteria. In applying the regulation permitting exceptions for student-athletes to participate during the institution's intercollegiate season in international competition involving national teams represented in the competition, a national team is defined as one that meets the following criteria:

- (a) It is selected, organized and sponsored by the appropriate Group A member of the United States Olympic Committee (or, for student-athletes representing another nation, the equivalent organization of that nation, or, for student-athletes competing in a non-Olympic sport, the equivalent organization in that sport);

- (b) Selection for such a team is made on a national qualification basis either through a defined selective process or actual tryouts, publicly announced; and
- (c) The international competition in question requires that the entries officially represent their respective nations, although it is not necessary to require team scoring by nation.

30.11 RECRUITING CALENDARS

30.11.1 Basketball, Men's. The following contact and evaluation periods shall apply to men's basketball in Division II: (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

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| (a) June 1 through June 14: | Quiet Period |
| (b) June 15 through August 1: | Evaluation Period |
| (c) August 2 through September 6: | Quiet Period |
| (d) September 7 through October 14: | Contact Period |
| (e) October 15 to the date of the prospect's initial high-school or two-year college contest: | Quiet Period |
| (f) During the period 48 hours before 7 a.m. on the initial date for the fall signing of the National Letter of Intent: | Dead Period |
| (g) The period between the prospect's initial and final high-school or two-year college contests: | Evaluation Period |
| (h) March 1 through 30 days after to the Saturday after the initial date for the spring signing of the National Letter of Intent [except for (1) and (2) below]: | Contact Period |
| (1) Thursday before the National Collegiate Division I Men's Basketball Championship game to Tuesday noon after the game: | Dead Period |
| (2) During the period 48 hours before 7 a.m. on the initial date for the spring signing of the National Letter of Intent: | Dead Period |
| (i) During any high-school all-star game that occurs within the state in which the member institution is located: (<i>Adopted: 1/11/94</i>) | Evaluation Period |
| (j) All other dates: | Quiet Period |

30.11.2 Basketball, Women's. The following contact and evaluation periods shall apply to women's basketball in Division II: (*Revised: 1/11/89*)

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| (a) June 1 through June 14: | Quiet Period |
| (b) June 15 through August 1: | Evaluation Period |
| (c) August 2 through September 6: | Quiet Period |
| (d) September 7 through October 14: | Contact Period |
| (e) October 15 to the date of the prospect's initial high-school or two-year college contest: | Quiet Period |
| (f) During the period 48 hours before 7 a.m. on the initial date for the fall signing of the National Letter of Intent: | Dead Period |
| (g) The period between the prospect's initial and final high-school or two-year college contests: | Evaluation Period |
| (h) March 1 through 30 days after the Saturday after the initial date for the spring signing of the National Letter of Intent [except for (1) below]: | Contact Period |
| (1) During the period 48 hours before 7 a.m. on the initial date for the spring signing of the National Letter of Intent: | Dead Period |
| (i) During any sanctioned Amateur Athletic Union women's competition occurring between May 18 and June 14: (<i>Adopted: 1/16/93</i>) | Evaluation Period |
| (j) During any high-school all-star game that occurs within the state in which the member institution is located: (<i>Adopted: 1/10/95</i>) | Evaluation Period |
| (k) All other dates: | Quiet Period |

30.11.3 Football. The following contact and evaluation periods apply to football in Division II: (*Revised: 1/11/89, 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99*)

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| (a) June 1 to the beginning of the prospect's high-school or two-year college football season: | Quiet Period |
| (b) During the prospect's high-school or two-year college football season: | Evaluation Period |
| (c) November 1 through November 30 [except for (1) below]:
(Revised: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99) | Evaluation Period |
| (1) For two-year college prospects, the conclusion of the prospect's two-year college football season through November 30:
(Adopted: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99) | Contact Period |
| (d) December 1 through 30 days after the Saturday after the initial date for signing the National Letter of Intent [except for (1) below]: | Contact Period |
| (1) During the period 48 hours before 7 a.m. on the initial date for signing the National Letter of Intent: | Dead Period |
| (e) The 31st day after the Saturday after the initial date for signing the National Letter of Intent through April 30: | Quiet Period |
| (f) May 1 through May 31: | Evaluation Period |
| (g) The following is an exception to the Division II football recruiting calendar: Authorized coaching staff members may evaluate a high-school football all-star game any time of the year provided the game occurs within the state in which the member institution is located. | |

30.11.4 Dead Periods for Other Sports. There are no specified contact and evaluation periods in sports other than football and basketball except for the following dead periods.

30.11.4.1 National Letter of Intent Signing Date. In Division II, the period 48 hours before 7 a.m. on the date for signing the National Letter of Intent in the applicable sport. (Revised: 1/10/91, 8/2/91, 8/14/96 effective 8/1/97)

30.11.4.1.1 Exception—U.S. Diving National Championship. When the dead period for recruiting occurs during the U.S. Diving National Championships, it shall be permissible to observe prospects participating in that event. (Adopted: 8/14/96 effective 8/1/97)

30.12 STUDENT-ATHLETE STATEMENT

+ The following procedures shall be used in administering the student-athlete statement required in Bylaw 14.1.3: (Revised: 8/4/89)

- The statement shall be administered individually to each student-athlete by the athletics director or the athletics director's designee before the student's participation in intercollegiate competition each academic year;
- The athletics director and head coach in the sport in which the student-athlete participates shall sign each statement as required by the prescribed form;
- The statement shall be kept on file by the athletics director and shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of the NCAA; and
- The athletics director shall promptly notify in writing the NCAA's director of sports sciences regarding a student-athlete's disclosure of a previous positive drug test administered by any other athletics organization. (Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)

30.13 SQUAD LIST

The following procedures shall be used in regard to the squad list required in Bylaw 15.5.9.2:

- The forms shall be kept on file in the office of the athletics director, and such file shall be available for examination on request by an authorized representative of another member institution; the NCAA, and, if the institution is a member of a conference, an authorized representative of the conference;
- Any student-athlete who signs a drug-testing consent form must be included on the institution's squad-list form, and any student-athlete who is included on the squad-list form must have signed a drug-testing consent form per Bylaw 14.1.4; (Adopted: 1/10/92 effective 8/1/92)
- A supplementary form may be filed to add names of persons not initially on the squad or to indicate a change of status; and
- A student-athlete's name must be on the official institutional form to qualify to represent the institution in intercollegiate athletics.

30.14 SUMMER BASEBALL

These regulations refer only to leagues that receive funding from the NCAA through Major League Baseball. Other amateur summer baseball leagues are not required to meet the operational guidelines for summer baseball leagues listed in this section. In order to be approved by the Executive Committee, a summer baseball league receiving funding from the NCAA through Major League Baseball must meet the following requirements: *(Adopted: 4/25/90)*

30.14.1 Amateur Status. Only teams composed solely of amateur players will be certified. For the purpose of these requirements, an amateur player is identified as one not under current professional contract in the sport of baseball or receiving compensation for playing and who otherwise meets all the conditions of an amateur student-athlete per Bylaw 12. *(Adopted: 4/25/90)*

30.14.2 Eligibility for Participation. All leagues or teams receiving funds through these regulations must limit the playing personnel of its member teams to students of junior or senior colleges who have eligibility remaining in accordance with NCAA rules. *(Adopted: 4/25/90)*

30.14.3 Staff Limitations. Only teams employing college coaches, high-school coaches or coaches of recognized amateur baseball teams will be certified. Further, the coach or manager of any such certified team shall not be employed by any professional baseball team or club, or receive any remuneration whatsoever from such an organization. *(Adopted: 4/25/90)*

30.14.3.1 Institution's Baseball Coach. In a league that involves student-athletes from a coach's institution, a member institution's baseball coach may be involved only with league administrative duties (e.g., serve as a member of a league's board of directors) but shall not perform any on- or off-field coaching or supervisory responsibilities that involve contact with student-athletes from the coach's institution. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*

30.14.4 Player Limitations and Written Permission. There is no limit on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate on the same outside summer baseball team (see Bylaw 17.4.8.1.3). In order to participate in a summer baseball league, a student-athlete must receive written permission from the institution's director of athletics (or the director's official representative). If the student-athlete is transferring and has been officially accepted for enrollment in a second institution and if the previous institution certifies that the student has withdrawn and does not intend to return to that institution for the next term, this written permission is to be obtained from the member institution to which the student-athlete is transferring. *(Adopted: 4/25/90)*

30.14.5 Player Assignment. There shall be no assignment of players to a league or team by professional baseball clubs or organizations; however, representatives from Major League Baseball may recommend college players to the president or commissioner of a certified league. *(Adopted: 4/25/90, Revised: 4/15/91)*

30.14.6 Employment Opportunities

30.14.6.1 Work Requirement. Any student-athlete who participates on an organized team in such a league may have the opportunity to be employed in a real and necessary job for a number of hours that is agreed on by the employer and the student-athlete. The student-athlete shall indicate his intent to work on the NCAA letter-of-commitment form. Under these circumstances, a league is not required to obtain employment for the student-athlete; however, the league must make a legitimate effort to provide employment for the student-athlete. Compensation shall be paid to the student-athlete only for work actually performed and at a rate commensurate with the going rate in that locality for similar services. The student-athlete must be able to report to work within seven calendar days after the date of arrival with the team. The student-athlete may play baseball whenever feasible provided the practice and competition do not interfere with the opportunity to work. *(Adopted: 4/25/90, Revised: 8/7/92)*

30.14.6.2 Employment at Camp. A student-athlete may be employed as a counselor in a summer camp or in a recreation department program. Compensation provided to the student-athlete shall be commensurate with the going rate for camp or clinic counselors of similar teaching ability and experience and may not be paid on the basis of the value that the student-athlete may have for the employer because of the athletics reputation or fame the student-athlete has achieved. *(Adopted: 4/25/90)*

30.14.6.3 Employment Certification. Not later than July 1, each team shall submit to the summer baseball subcommittee the following information regarding each undergraduate student-athlete who is a member of its squad and who is employed: *(Adopted: 4/25/90, Revised: 8/7/92)*

- (a) Name of player;
- (b) Name of college and year of graduating class;
- (c) Description of job;
- (d) Rate of pay;
- (e) Location of job;

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(f) Name of employer; and

(g) Working hours.

30.14.6.4 Exception. Leagues that choose their talent primarily from the community in which the league is located are not required to meet the employment-opportunities requirements listed in Bylaws 30.14.6.1 through 30.14.6.3. (*Adopted: 1/6/92*)

30.14.7 Expenses. The student-athlete's team may pay the student-athlete's actual round-trip transportation costs by direct route not to exceed coach air fare (or comparable class) between the student-athlete's home or the community of the collegiate institution for which the student-athlete participates and the home community of the team. The team also may provide actual and necessary travel and room and board expenses related to practice and game competition. (*Adopted: 4/25/90*)

30.14.7.1 Bonus Payments. No cash allowance or bonus shall be given to any student-athlete in an NCAA certified summer baseball league. (*Adopted: 4/25/90*)

30.14.8 Awards Restrictions. Awards are not permissible for recognition of a specialized performance in a particular contest or event. A student-athlete may receive a memento (e.g., certificate or plaque) valued at less than \$25, provided the total value of all mementos received by the student-athlete during a season does not exceed \$200, including mementos received for recognition as the most valuable player on a team or in a league or for a team's performance in a league playoff. (*Adopted: 4/25/90*)

30.14.9 Certification

30.14.9.1 Certification Statement. The management of each team shall file a statement with the summer baseball subcommittee not later than April 1 certifying that the team will operate in accordance with the requirements listed in this bylaw. (*Adopted: 4/25/90, Revised: 4/20/94*)

30.14.9.2 Coach and Administration Certification. Not later than April 1, the commissioner of each league shall submit to the Executive Committee the names of all individuals who serve in an administrative or coaching capacity within the league and indicate those coaches who are employed at NCAA member institutions. (*Adopted: 4/25/90, Revised: 4/20/94*)

30.14.9.3 Attendance at In-Person Certification Meeting. A league representative shall be in attendance at the summer baseball subcommittee's in-person meetings. (*Adopted: 1/13/98*)

30.14.10 Playing and Schedule Requirements

30.14.10.1 Calendar Requirement. All play, including league, nonleague and playoff competition, shall take place between June 1 (or the preceding Friday if June 1 falls on a Sunday or Monday) and August 15. (*Adopted: 4/25/90, Revised: 1/6/92, 8/7/92*)

30.14.10.2 All-Star Competition. All-star competition between teams within the same league shall be permitted. All-star competition between teams in separate leagues shall be prohibited. An all-star team from a league may participate against a foreign country's national team, provided the foreign national team's tour has been approved by USA Baseball, the league's schedules have not been modified or extended to allow such competition and the contest(s) takes place in the community of a sanctioned league team. (*Adopted: 4/15/91, Revised: 8/10/94*)

30.14.10.3 Submission of Information. Each team shall submit a copy of its constitution, bylaws and comparable regulations to the summer baseball subcommittee not later than March 1. A game schedule from each team shall be submitted by May 1. (*Adopted: 4/25/90, Revised: 4/20/94*)

30.14.11 Letter of Commitment. All teams shall use the NCAA sanctioned summer baseball league's letter of commitment. A league may use its own letter of commitment only if the student-athlete has signed the NCAA letter of commitment. (*Adopted: 4/25/90, Revised: 4/15/91*)

30.14.12 Playing Rules. The NCAA baseball playing rules, with the exception of the "Optional Rules" for Speed-Up and Optional Substitution, are to be used in all certified leagues. (*Adopted: 4/25/90*)

30.14.13 Notification. The membership of the NCAA shall be advised through The NCAA News of the names of the teams (and leagues) certified by the summer baseball subcommittee. (*Adopted: 4/25/90*)

30.14.14 League Probation. The NCAA summer baseball subcommittee shall have the authority to place a league on probation at any time. Probation may include, but is not limited to, a verbal reprimand or a reduction in a league's financial allocation. (*Adopted: 8/10/94*)

30.14.15 Contributions from Major League Baseball

30.14.15.1 Certification Requirement. Certification shall be denied to any team or league receiving financial assistance directly from a professional baseball club, league or organization. (*Adopted: 4/25/90*)

30.14.15.2 Franchise Contribution. Any contribution in money or similar kind by Major League Baseball to an amateur summer baseball league or team in which undergraduate student-athletes

participate shall be prohibited, except that the office of the Commissioner of Major League Baseball may contribute funds directly to the NCAA for the administration of these funds to designated summer baseball leagues. The distribution of the funds received, including the selection of the recipient and amount disbursed, shall be determined by the summer baseball subcommittee, in conformance with the NCAA summer baseball requirements and subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. *(Adopted: 4/25/90)*

30.14.16 Commissioner Requirement. If a summer baseball league receives a financial contribution of \$10,000 or more from funds administered by the Executive Committee, such a league shall be required to employ a commissioner acceptable to the league and the NCAA. *(Adopted: 4/25/90)*

30.14.17 Financial Arrangements. Financial arrangements between the NCAA (and Major League Baseball) and summer baseball leagues are “at will” and may be terminated at the discretion of the Executive Committee, subject to the approval of the Management Council. *(Adopted: 8/10/94)*

30.14.18 Financial Report. Each league that receives a contribution from the funds contributed by Major League Baseball and administered by the Executive Committee shall be required to file a financial report of its immediate past summer’s operations to the NCAA in a mutually agreeable form. This report shall be submitted to the NCAA not later than September 15 and a copy shall be made available promptly to Major League Baseball. *(Adopted: 4/25/90, Revised: 4/20/94)*

30.14.19 Tobacco Ban. No player, coach or game official may use any form of tobacco during practices or games in NCAA-approved summer baseball leagues. *(Adopted: 8/6/93)*

30.15 SUMMER BASKETBALL

In order to be approved by the Management Council per Bylaw 14.7.5.2-(a), a summer basketball league must meet the following requirements:

- (a) **All-Star Games Prohibition.** No all-star game of any kind shall be permitted;
- (b) **Geographical Limitation.** League play shall be within 100 air miles of the city limits of the student-athlete’s official residence at the end of the previous academic year or the institution the student-athlete last attended as a regular student. If a league does not exist within 100 air miles of the student-athlete’s residence, a student-athlete may participate in the summer league located closest to the student’s official residence; *(Revised: 8/2/91)*
- (c) **Payment Prohibition.** No member team shall make any payments for play or expenses directly or indirectly to any player;
- (d) **Postseason Competition.** Postseason play-offs or tournaments shall be permitted, provided they involve intraleague competition and are completed by August 31;
- (e) **Player Limitations**
 - (1) **Number from Any One College.** Each team shall include on its roster no more than one player with intercollegiate basketball eligibility remaining from any two-year or four-year college (other than a Divisions II and III member institution); and *(Revised: 1/10/91, 1/14/97)*
 - (2) **Replacement of Student-Athlete Who Withdraws.** A student-athlete who is listed on the roster of a team and withdraws or is injured and will not continue to practice or compete may be replaced for the remainder of the season by another basketball student-athlete from the same institution. The institution is permitted only one replacement per team. *(Adopted: 1/11/94)*
- (f) **Revenue.** No admission shall be charged for any game, no fee shall be charged for parking to attend any game, no revenue shall be realized at any game from raffles or similar activities, and no revenue shall be realized from over-the-air or cable television or radio rights fees for any game; and
- (h) **Staff Limitation.** Neither the league nor any member team shall have on its staff or as a participant any person associated in any employment capacity with any two-year or four-year college, except that institutional employees who are not athletics department staff members and do not have responsibilities directly related to the athletics department may serve as game officials. *(Revised: 8/6/93)*

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31.01 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

31.01.1 Names of Championships. All NCAA championships (see Bylaw 18.3) have formal designations that identify their appropriate category and sport classification (see Bylaw 31.02.2). The name of each championship is the property of the Association (see Bylaw 31.6).

31.01.2 Postseason Championship Opportunities. NCAA championships are intended to provide national-championship competition among the best eligible student-athletes and teams at the conclusion of the respective sport seasons, with consideration for regional structures that may be approved for certain championships.

31.01.3 Size of Championships Fields. The size of all NCAA championships fields shall be established by the Championships Committee to provide for efficient management of the events, adequate NCAA championship opportunities relative to the nationwide quality of competition and sound economic administration of the financial resources of the Association and its championships. (See Bylaw 31.3.1 for the criteria to be considered in establishing the size of the championship field.)

31.01.4 Economy of Operation. Every sports committee (see Bylaws 21.02.4 and 21.02.5) and games committee (Bylaw 31.1.2) shall exercise all possible economy in the conduct of an NCAA championship.

31.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

31.02.1 Automatic Qualification. Automatic qualification is the automatic entry into a championship field by a team or individual student-athletes representing a member conference recommended by the appropriate sports committee and approved by the Championships Committee (see Bylaw 31.3.4).

31.02.2 Championships Classification and Terminology

31.02.2.1 Team Championships. Team championships are those conducted for the team sports [see Bylaws 17.02.13.1 or 31.3.4.5-(a)]. The title of a team championship is always singular and is identified as a National Collegiate Championship or a division championship (e.g., National Collegiate Women's Rowing Championship, Division I Men's Basketball Championship).

31.02.2.2 Individual-Team Championships. Individual-team championships are those conducted for the individual sports [see Bylaws 17.02.13.2 or 31.3.4.5-(b) and (c)]. The title of an individual-team championship is always plural, reflecting the fact that both individual and team championships are determined (e.g., National Collegiate Men's Gymnastics Championships, Division I Women's Tennis Championships).

31.02.3 Misconduct. Misconduct in an NCAA championship is any act of dishonesty, unsportsmanlike conduct, unprofessional behavior or breach of law occurring incident to, en route to, from or at the locale of the competition or practice that discredits the event or intercollegiate athletics. (*Revised: 8/15/89, 8/13/92*)

31.1 ADMINISTRATION OF NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

31.1.1 Authority of Championships Committee and Sports Committees. As specified in Bylaw 18.1, all NCAA championships shall be conducted in accordance with the general policies established by the

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Championships Committee and shall be under the control, direction and supervision of the appropriate sports committees, subject to the standards and conditions set forth in these executive regulations. Additional policies of an administrative nature are set forth in the respective championships handbooks and are to be followed in the administration of NCAA championships.

31.1.1.1 Waivers. The president shall be authorized to grant waivers of executive regulations governing the conduct of an NCAA championship when warranted by special and unusual circumstances.

31.1.1.2 Appeal of Decisions of Sports Committees. An appeal of a decision of a governing sports committee, or a subcommittee designated by it, concerning questions of individual or institutional eligibility or the conduct of a championship will not be considered by the Championships Committee at any time during the championship or 48 hours immediately before the championship. During such period, the governing sports committee, or a subcommittee designated by it, shall be the final authority in acting upon appeals concerning the conduct of the championship, subject to the provisions of Bylaw 31.2 regarding institutional and individual eligibility questions.

31.1.2 Games Committee. The governing sports committee shall appoint a games committee to supervise actively the conduct of each championship session. The games committee conducting any NCAA championship shall limit participation to eligible student-athletes and may limit the number of entries or reject any application for entry in any event in order that the competition shall best promote the welfare and interest of the sport involved.

31.1.3 Sites and Dates. The governing sports committees recommend to the Championships Committee the sites and dates for all NCAA championships.

31.1.3.1 Championships Committee Approval. Championships Committee approval shall be obtained before final site commitments are made to the host institution or any other individual or organization associated with the management of an NCAA championship. However, in the sports of baseball, basketball, field hockey, football, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball and volleyball, the governing sports committees are authorized to select sites for preliminary rounds of competition without prior Championships Committee approval.

31.1.3.2 Site Selection. The governing sports committees shall evaluate prospective sites for NCAA championships in terms of the specific criteria approved by the Championships Committee. The division championships committees may assign specific priorities to these criteria for their respective championships. These shall be specified in the appropriate championships handbooks. A governing sports committee that desires to use additional criteria shall obtain Championships Committee approval before doing so.

31.1.3.2.1 Criteria for Regional Site Determination. The top-seeded team, as determined by the governing sports committee, shall be provided the opportunity to host the regional competition, provided the specific criteria that have been developed by the governing sports committee have been met as well as the following general site selection criteria: *(Revised: 1/12/99 effective beginning with the 1999 championships)*

- (a) Quality and availability of the facility and other necessary accommodations;
- (b) Revenue potential (e.g., a financial guarantee or guideline that ensures fiscal responsibility and is appropriate for the particular event, as recommended by the governing sports committee and approved by the Championships Committee); and
- (c) Attendance history and potential.

31.1.3.2.1.1 Team Championships Pairings. Sports committees shall pair teams strictly within their regions. *(Adopted: 1/12/99 effective beginning with the 1999 championships)*

31.1.3.2.2 Criteria for National Championship Site Determination. The following criteria are to be used in the evaluation of sites for all national championships: *(Revised: 1/12/99 effective beginning with the 1999 championships)*

- (a) Quality and availability of the facility and other necessary accommodations;
- (b) Revenue potential (e.g., financial guarantee or guideline that ensures fiscal responsibility and is appropriate for the particular event, as recommended by the governing sports committee and approved by the Championships Committee);
- (c) Attendance history and potential; and
- (d) Geographical location (e.g., a site that minimizes travel expenses).

31.1.3.2.3 Nonpredetermined Site. When a championship site is not predetermined, the governing sports committee may award the site to the higher-ranked team if the above criteria, and any priorities established by the respective division championships committee, are met.

31.1.3.2.4 On-Campus versus Off-Campus Sites. Preference shall be given to conducting compe-

tion on the grounds or in the buildings of educational institutions unless there are compelling reasons, based on evaluation of the criteria in Bylaw 31.1.3.2.1 (which shall be applied to both on-campus and off-campus sites), to conduct the competition in an off-campus facility. In those instances in which it is advisable to conduct the competition at off-campus sites, the host institution(s) shall have complete control, supervision and management of the facility being used. *(Revised: 12/3/90)*

31.1.3.2.5 Reconsideration of Host Institution. The Championships Committee may reconsider the designation of a host institution for an NCAA championship if that institution's team or individual student-athletes are not eligible to compete in the championship.

31.1.3.3 Concluding Dates. NCAA championships competition shall be concluded no later than May 31 each year unless later dates are approved by the Championships Committee.

31.1.4 Day of Competition. NCAA championships competition may be scheduled or conducted on any day, provided the governing sports committee has received the prior approval of the Championships Committee and the following regulations are applied. *(Revised: 1/12/99)*

31.1.4.1 Institutional Policy. If a participating institution has a written policy against competition on a particular day for religious reasons, it shall inform the governing sports committee before the beginning of the championship in order for it or one of its student-athletes to be excused from competing on that day. The championship schedule shall be adjusted to accommodate that institution, and such adjustment shall not require its team or an individual competitor to compete before the time originally scheduled. *(Revised: 1/12/99)*

31.1.4.2 Individual Championships. In individual championships, an athlete must compete according to the institution's policy regarding Sunday competition (i.e., if the institution has no policy against Sunday competition, the athlete shall compete on Sunday if required by the schedule).

31.1.4.3 Rescheduling, Emergency or Competitive Development. If an emergency develops that causes postponement of an NCAA championship, or if the competitive situation dictates a more expeditious completion of the meet or tournament, Sunday competition may be permitted, provided the competing institutions are agreeable and advance approval is obtained from the Administrative Committee.

31.1.4.4 Noon Start Time. NCAA competition conducted on Sunday may not begin before noon, local time.

31.1.5 Squad Limits. In any championship where a squad limit has been established by the governing sports committee or by the bylaws, the number of eligible student-athletes in competitive uniform at the start of the competition shall not exceed the prescribed number. An institution that is advised that it is in violation of this regulation and that does not promptly conform to it automatically shall forfeit the competition. There shall be no inordinate delay of the competition to allow the institution to conform to the rule.

31.1.6 Playing Rules

31.1.6.1 Non-NCAA Rules, Men's Sports. In those men's sports in which the Association does not publish rules, the NCAA championships shall be conducted according to the following, except where those rules are superseded by modifications made by the appropriate governing sports committee (also see Bylaw 18.6):

- (a) Fencing—U.S. Fencing Association Rules;
- (b) Golf—U.S. Golf Association Rules;
- (c) Gymnastics—International Gymnastics Federation Rules;
- (d) Tennis—U.S. Tennis Association Rules; and
- (e) Volleyball—U.S. Volleyball Association Rules.

31.1.6.2 Non-NCAA Rules, Women's Sports. In those women's sports in which the Association does not publish rules, the NCAA championships shall be conducted according to the following, except where those rules are superseded by modifications made by the appropriate governing sports committee (also see Bylaw 18.6):

- (a) Fencing—U.S. Fencing Association Rules;
- (b) Field Hockey—International Field Hockey Rules;
- (c) Golf—U.S. Golf Association Rules;
- (d) Gymnastics—International Gymnastics Federation Women's Code of Points with the U.S. Gymnastics Federation Class I, Competition I-B rules and the USGF modifications;
- (e) Lacrosse—U.S. Women's Lacrosse Association Rules;

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- (f) Rowing—U.S. Rowing Rules; (*Adopted: 1/14/97*)
- (g) Tennis—U.S. Tennis Association Rules; and
- (h) Volleyball—National Association for Girls and Women in Sport Rules.

31.1.7 Medical Disqualification. The student-athlete's team physician shall examine each athlete injured during NCAA competition and make a recommendation to the athlete, the coach and the chair of the governing sports committee, or the chair's designated representative, as to the advisability of continued participation or disqualification of the athlete. In the absence of said team physician, the NCAA tournament physician, as recommended by the host institution and approved by the governing sports committee, shall examine the injured athlete and make a recommendation as noted above. The chair of the governing sports committee, or the chair's designated representative, shall be responsible for enforcement of the medical recommendation if it involves disqualification.

31.1.8 Misconduct. Each games committee shall hold a pretournament meeting with the coaches of participating institutions to review and explain the policies related to misconduct (as defined in Bylaw 31.02.3).

31.1.8.1 Hearing Opportunity. An act of misconduct may be found upon an administrative hearing granted to the student-athlete or the institutional representative involved by the governing sports committee or the games committee authorized to act for it.

31.1.8.2 Misconduct Incident to Competition. If the act of misconduct occurs during the competition, under normal circumstances the individual shall be allowed to complete the competition in which he or she is participating at the time of the incident. An administrative hearing shall be held at the conclusion of the day's competition, during a break in the continuity of the championship (e.g., between rounds of a basketball tournament) when no competition is being conducted or at the conclusion of the championship. However, if the act of misconduct is so flagrant that it obviously violates the principles of fair play and sportsmanship, the games committee may immediately withdraw the student-athlete or institutional representative from the competition and conduct the hearing after this action. Other acts of misconduct may be dealt with at the governing sports committee's convenience. (*Revised: 8/13/92*)

31.1.8.3 Penalty for Misconduct. A governing sports committee (or the games committee authorized to act for it) may impose any one or a combination of the following penalties on an institution or any student-athlete or representative of an institution guilty of misconduct that occurs incident to, en route to, from or at the locale of the competition or practice:

- (a) Public or private reprimand of the individual;
- (b) Disqualification of the individual from further participation in the NCAA championship involved;
- (c) Banishment of the individual from participation in one or more future championships of the sport involved;
- (d) Cancellation of payment to the institution of the Association's travel guarantee for the individuals involved;
- (e) Withholding of all or a portion of the institution's share of revenue distribution;
- (f) Banishment of the institution from participation in one or more future championships in which its team in that sport otherwise would be eligible to participate;
- (g) Disqualification of an institution for a period of time from serving as host institution for one or more NCAA championships; (*Revised: 8/13/92*)
- (h) Cancellation of all or a portion of the honorarium for hosting an NCAA championship; and (*Revised: 8/13/92*)
- (i) Financial or other penalties different from (a) through (h) above, but only if they have prior approval of the Championships Committee. (*Revised: 8/13/92*)

31.1.8.4 Ban from Future Championship. When a student-athlete or institutional representative is banned from participation in a future championship, such penalty shall be applied to the next tournament(s) in which the individual's team is involved and the individual otherwise is eligible to participate. In the case of an individual event, the penalty shall be applied to the next meet(s) or tournament(s) for which the individual qualifies and otherwise is eligible to participate.

31.1.8.5 Review of Action. Any action related to misconduct may be reviewed by the governing sports committee on request of any institution participating in the championship.

31.1.9 Failure to Adhere to Policies and Procedures

31.1.9.1 Financial Penalties. A governing sports committee may assess a financial penalty against an institution for failure of any of its representatives to adhere to the policies and procedures governing

championships administration, subject to review by and appeal to the Championships Committee. The institution may be assessed:

- (a) One hundred dollars per team or \$50 per individual, up to a \$300 maximum penalty, for failure to adhere to published procedures for the submission of regular-season results, availability questionnaires and/or entry forms;
- (b) One hundred dollars, cancellation of all or a portion of the Association's travel guarantee, or all or a portion of the institution's share of revenue distribution for failure to adhere to published managerial and administrative policies and procedures; (*Revised: 5/7/90*)
- (c) Cancellation of all or a portion of the honorarium for hosting an NCAA championship for failure to submit the financial report within 60 days after the competition, as specified in Bylaw 31.4.1.1; or (*Revised: 5/7/90*)
- (d) Financial or other penalties different from (a), (b) and (c) above, but only if they have prior approval of the Championships Committee. (*Revised: 5/7/90*)

31.1.9.2 Late-Entry Fines. Institutions shall not be charged entry fees for teams or student-athletes competing in NCAA championships, but governing sports committees may establish late-entry fines, subject to the approval of the Championships Committee.

31.1.10 Awards. The Association has created standard awards for individuals and teams that participate in NCAA championships. The number of such awards for each championship shall be determined by the governing sports committee, subject to the approval of the Championships Committee. These official NCAA awards shall be the only awards presented by the Association to teams and individuals for participation in NCAA championships competition and shall be the only awards presented at the site of an NCAA championship. "At the site" is intended to include the period from the time access to the site is available to spectators until all patrons have left the facility or area used for competition. Additional participant awards may not be purchased by either an institution or an individual.

31.1.10.1 Other Permissible Awards. The above provision places no restriction on the presentation of awards at banquets or meetings held in conjunction with the championship or at sites other than that of the championships competition itself.

31.1.10.1.1 Commemorative Awards. An institution whose athletes receive individual awards as a result of its team's performance in an NCAA championship may purchase any number of commemorative awards, all of which shall be ordered through the Association's national office.

31.1.11 Admission and Tickets. Admission shall be charged at all NCAA championships unless a governing sports committee determines that charging admission is not feasible because of facility configuration or the expense relative to the event's attendance history. Ticket prices shall be determined by the respective games committees with the approval of the governing sports committee.

31.1.12 Restricted Advertising and Sponsorship Activities. The following activities are restricted when they occur in conjunction with NCAA championships. Other restrictions are set forth in the championships handbooks.

31.1.12.1 Advertising. Advertising policies of the Association are designed to exclude those advertisements that do not appear to be in the best interests of higher education. The president shall have the authority to rule in cases where doubt exists concerning acceptable advertisers and advertising copy of game programs, broadcasts and telecasts of NCAA championships; however, the following expressly are prohibited: (*Revised: 8/15/89*)

- (a) Alcoholic beverages (except as specified below);
- (b) Cigarettes and other tobacco products;
- (c) Professional sports organizations or personnel (except as specified in the championships handbooks) in games other than certified postseason football games; and
- (d) Organizations promoting gambling.

31.1.12.1.1 Malt Beverages, Beer and Wine Advertisements. Advertising of malt beverages, beer and wine products that do not exceed six percent alcohol by volume may be used in game programs. Such advertisements, however, shall not compose more than 14 percent of the space in the program devoted to advertising or not more than 60 seconds per hour of any telecast or broadcast (either a single 60-second commercial or two 30-second commercials).

31.1.12.1.2 Sponsorships. A championships activity or promotion may not be sponsored by liquor, tobacco, beer or wine companies or by professional sports organizations or teams at any time.

31.1.13 Availability of Alcoholic Beverages. Alcoholic beverages shall not be sold or otherwise made available for public consumption at any championship event sponsored by or administered by the

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Association, nor shall any such beverages be brought to the site during the championship (i.e., during the period from the time access to the site is available to spectators until all patrons have left the facility or area used for competition).

31.2 ELIGIBILITY FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

31.2.1 Institutional Eligibility. To be eligible to enter teams or individual student-athletes in NCAA championships, an institution shall recognize the sport involved as a varsity intercollegiate sport (see Bylaw 17.02.13) and shall meet the institutional requirements set forth in Bylaw 18.4.2 applicable to the division in which the institution is a member or for which it is petitioning for eligibility in a sport. An institution that holds membership in a member conference may not enter teams or individuals in an NCAA championship unless they are eligible for such competition under the rules of that conference [see Bylaw 18.4.2.1-(a)].

31.2.1.1 Commitment to Participate. Eligible members in a sport who are not also members of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics will participate (if selected) in the NCAA championship or in no postseason competition in that sport. (*Revised: 8/12/91*)

31.2.1.2 Deadline. The institutional eligibility requirements for entry into NCAA championships (see Bylaw 18.4.2) must be met by the following dates:

- (a) September 15 for fall championships;
- (b) December 1 for winter championships; and
- (c) March 1 for spring championships.

31.2.1.2.1 Compliance with Deadline. Any dues check or approved form required shall be received in the national office by the applicable date or must have been postmarked not later than seven days before the applicable date.

31.2.1.3 Deadline Waivers. Institutions that fail to meet a deadline for institutional eligibility in NCAA championships may appeal to the Administrative Committee for a waiver. If the Administrative Committee, acting for the Championships Committee, grants the appeal, then the institution may be restored to eligibility for NCAA championships.

31.2.1.3.1 Penalty for Future Waiver. Such an institution that fails to meet a deadline a future time may be granted a waiver only on payment of a penalty of \$150 for the second offense and \$300 for each additional offense during the five-year period after the last offense. On approval of the Administrative Committee of such waiver and receipt of the institution's check in the national office, the institution may compete in NCAA championships, provided it is otherwise eligible.

31.2.1.4 Joint-Declaration Program. The NCAA and the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics together administer a joint-declaration program in those men's and women's sports in which there is a date conflict between the national championships of the two organizations. In such championships, each institution that holds membership in both organizations must declare by mid-September each year whether it will participate (if selected) in the NAIA championship, in the NCAA championship or in no postseason competition in that sport. An institution that fails to submit the joint-declaration form by the established deadline shall be ineligible to compete in both associations' championships in the particular sport(s) that year. An appeal process exists for such institutions.

31.2.1.5 National Collegiate Championships. In team sports in which the NCAA offers only one national championship, all member institutions in good standing are eligible to compete in accordance with the requirements of division membership (see Bylaw 20.8.1) and institutional eligibility (per Bylaw 31.2.1).

31.2.1.6 Division Championships. In those sports in which national-championship competition is offered in more than one division, only those member institutions that meet the membership requirements of the respective divisions or requirements applicable to institutions competing outside their membership divisions are eligible to compete in such division championships (see Bylaw 20).

31.2.1.7 Eligibility Requirements. Institutional eligibility for all championships shall be limited to member institutions that meet institutional eligibility requirements (Bylaw 31.2.1) and any additional requirements specified in the applicable championships handbooks.

31.2.1.7.1 Eligibility of Participants. An institution shall advise the NCAA championships staff, if a student-athlete who has participated in regular-season competition becomes ineligible before the date on which the governing sports committee selects championship participants, as indicated in the appropriate championships handbook. (*Revised: 5/92*)

31.2.1.7.1.1 Failure to Report Ineligible Player before Selection. If an institution fails to report an ineligible player before being selected to participate in the championship, the governing sports committee may declare the institution ineligible to participate in the tournament for one or two years.

31.2.1.7.1.2 Discovery of Ineligibility of Player after Selection. When an institution fails to report an ineligible player and the omission is not discovered until after the institution is selected to participate in the championship, necessitating the institution's withdrawal from the championship, that withdrawal shall be considered as one of the years of ineligibility, provided another member institution participates in the championship in place of the disqualified institution. If the discovery of the ineligible student-athlete(s) occurs so near the beginning of the championship that the governing sports committee does not have a reasonable period of time to replace the disqualified institution in the bracket, that fact shall be taken into consideration in determining the number of years the disqualified institution shall be ineligible to participate.

31.2.1.7.1.3 Review of Violation of Terms of Availability Questionnaire. When an institution is alleged to have violated the terms of an availability questionnaire (e.g., failing to report an ineligible student-athlete), it may be represented at the meeting of the governing sports committee when the committee determines whether a violation occurred and, if so, whether the institution shall be ineligible to participate in the tournament for one or more years. The institution may submit a written statement or make an in-person presentation, or both. After the governing sports committee has ruled on the matter, its decision shall be final unless the institution appeals the decision to the Championships Committee. The Championships Committee shall hear the appeal at one of its regularly scheduled meetings unless there are compelling reasons to conduct a special meeting for such purpose.

31.2.1.7.2 Protest Regarding Eligibility of Team. Any team that has been duly certified as eligible for an NCAA championship shall not be withheld from participation because of any protest made or filed during the progress of the competition or during a period 24 hours immediately before the championship. If there is a break in the continuity of the championship (e.g., between rounds of a basketball tournament) when no competition is being conducted, a team may be withheld from further competition in the championship, provided such protest is made or filed at least 24 hours before the next segment of the championship.

31.2.2 Individual Eligibility. All student-athletes, regardless of division, must meet the eligibility standards established for NCAA championships competition. The general and academic eligibility requirements are set forth in detail in Bylaw 14, in which there is also reference to other legislation regarding eligibility of the individual student-athlete. Other specific requirements for eligibility for NCAA championships (e.g., authority of the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee, amateur status certification and ineligibility for use of banned drugs) are set forth in Bylaws 18.4.1, 10.3 and 10.4. The Executive Committee may require student-athletes to certify their eligibility for championship competition. (*Revised: 3/5/97*)

31.2.2.1 Eligibility Requirements. A member institution shall not enter a student-athlete, as an individual or as a member of a team, in an NCAA championship unless the student-athlete satisfies the relevant eligibility requirements of Bylaw 14. (*Revised: 8/15/89*)

31.2.2.2 Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee Representative. For a particular championship, the chair of the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee may designate the faculty athletics representative of the host institution to act as a temporary, additional member of the committee. It shall be the special responsibility of the temporary member to notify the chair of any eligibility problem that, in the member's opinion, requires the attention of the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee and to represent the committee at the time of the championship.

31.2.2.3 Protest of Eligibility Status. Any student-athlete duly certified by the institution for an NCAA championship shall not be withheld from participation because of any protest made or filed during the championship or during the 24 hours immediately before the championship. If there is a break in the continuity of the championship (e.g., between rounds of a basketball tournament) when no competition is being conducted, the student may be withheld from further competition in the championship, provided the protest is made or filed at least 24 hours before the next segment of the championship.

31.2.2.4 Participation While Ineligible. When a student-athlete competing as an individual or representing the institution in a team championship is declared ineligible after the competition, or a penalty has been imposed or action taken as set forth in Bylaw 19.6.2.2-(e) or 19.8 of the NCAA enforcement program, the following shall occur:

- (a) **Individual Competition.** The individual's performance shall be stricken from the championships records, the points the student has contributed to the team's total shall be deleted, the team standings shall be adjusted accordingly, and any awards involved shall be returned to the Association. For those championships in which individual results are recorded by time, points or stroke totals (i.e., cross country, golf, gymnastics, indoor track and field, outdoor track and field, rifle, swimming and skiing), the placement of other competitors shall be altered and awards presented accordingly.

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For those championships in which individual results are recorded by advancement through a bracket or head-to-head competition, the placement of other competitors shall not be altered. *(Revised: 8/15/89)*

- (b) **Team Competition.** The record of the team's performance shall be deleted, the team's place in the final standings shall be vacated, and the team's trophy and the ineligible student's award shall be returned to the Association.

31.2.2.5 Institutional Penalty for Ineligible Participation. When an ineligible student-athlete participates in an NCAA championship and the student-athlete or the institution knew or had reason to know of the ineligibility, the NCAA president may withhold an amount to be determined by the Championships Committee (not to exceed 90 percent of the institution's share of revenue distribution in excess of the regular expense reimbursement). If said funds have been distributed, the institution may be required to return such an amount. [Note: In appropriate cases, in accordance with Bylaw 19.6.2.2-(g) or 19.8 of the NCAA enforcement program, an institution may not be permitted to receive or may be required to reimburse the Association an amount equal to 90 percent of its share of the revenue distribution.]

31.2.3 Ineligibility for Use of Banned Drugs. Bylaw 18.4.1.5 provides that a student-athlete who is found to have used a substance on the list of banned drugs shall be declared ineligible for further participation in postseason and regular-season competition during the time period ending one calendar year after the student-athlete's positive drug test. The student-athlete shall be charged with the loss of a minimum of one season of competition in all sports if the season of competition has not yet begun or a minimum of the equivalent of one full season of competition in all sports if the student-athlete tests positive during his or her season of competition (i.e., the remainder of contests in the current season and contests in the next season up to the period of time in which the student-athlete was declared ineligible during the previous year). The student-athlete shall remain ineligible until the student-athlete retests negative (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Executive Committee) and the student-athlete's eligibility is restored by the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee. If the student-athlete tests positive a second time for the use of any drug, other than a "street drug" as defined below, he or she shall lose all remaining regular-season and postseason eligibility in all sports. If the student-athlete tests positive for the use of a "street drug" after being restored to eligibility, he or she shall lose a minimum of one additional season of competition in all sports and also shall remain ineligible for regular-season and postseason competition at least through the next calendar year. Bylaw 18.4.1.5.2 also provides that the Executive Committee shall adopt a list of banned drugs and authorize methods for drug testing of student-athletes on a year-round basis. In addition, as stated in Bylaw 18.4.1.5.1, a student-athlete who previously tested positive for performance-enhancing drugs as a result of tests administered by any other athletics organization and subsequently tests positive (in accordance with the testing methods authorized by the Executive Committee) shall be subject to these ineligibility provisions. *(Revised: 1/16/93, 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

31.2.3.1 Banned Drugs. The following is the list of banned-drugs classes: *(Revised: 8/15/89, 7/10/90, 12/3/90, 5/4/92, 5/6/93, 10/29/97)*

- (a) Stimulants:

amiphenazole	fencamfamine
amphetamine	meclofenoxate
bemigrade	methamphetamine
benzphetamine	methylphenidate
bromantan <i>(Adopted: 7/23/97)</i>	nikethamide
caffeine ¹	pemoline
chlorphentermine	pentetrazol
cocaine	phendimetrazine
cropropamide	phenmetrazine
crothetamide	phentermine
diethylpropion	picrotoxine
dimethylamphetamine	pipradol
doxapram	prolintane
ephedrine <i>(Adopted: 7/23/97)</i>	strychnine
ethamivan	and related compounds

ethylamphetamine

(b) Anabolic agents:

Anabolic steroids:

androstenedione (*Adopted: 10/29/97*)

boldenone

clostebol

dehydrochlormethyl-testosterone

dehydroepiandrosterone (DHEA)
(*Adopted: 7/23/97*)

dihydrotestosterone (*Adopted: 7/23/97*)

dromostanolone

fluoxymesterone

mesterolone

methandienone

methenolone

Other anabolic agents:

clenbuterol

(c) Substances banned for specific sports:

Rifle:

alcohol

atenolol

metoprolol

nadolol

pindolol

propranolol

timolol

and related compounds

(d) Diuretics:

acetazolamide

bendroflumethiazide

benzthiazide

bumetanide

chlorothiazide

chlorthalidone

ethacrynic acid

flumethiazide

furosemide

hydrochlorothiazide

hydroflumethiazide

methyclothiazide

metolazone

polythiazide

quinethazone

spironolactone

triamterene

trichlormethiazide

and related compounds

(e) Street drugs:

heroin

marijuana³

THC (tetrahydrocannabinol)³

(f) Peptide hormones and analogues:

chorionic gonadotrophin

(HCG - human chorionic

gonadotrophin)

corticotrophin (ACTH)

growth hormone

(HGH, somatotrophin)

All the respective releasing factors of the above-mentioned substances also are banned.

erythropoietin (EPO)

(g) Definition of positive depends on the following:

¹ for caffeine—if the concentration in the urine exceeds 15 micrograms/ml.

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² for testosterone—if the administration of testosterone or the use of any other manipulation has the result of increasing the ratio of the total concentration of testosterone to that of epitestosterone in the urine to greater than 6:1, unless there is evidence that this ratio is due to a physiological or pathological condition. (*Revised: 6/17/92*)

³ for marijuana and THC—if the concentration in the urine of THC metabolite exceeds 15 nanograms/ml. (*Revised: 9/6/94*)

31.2.3.1.1 Drugs and Procedures Subject to Restrictions. The use of the following drugs and/or procedures is subject to certain restrictions and may or may not be permissible, depending on limitations expressed in these guidelines and/or quantities of these substances used: (*Revised: 8/15/89*)

- (a) **Blood Doping.** The practice of blood doping (the intravenous injection of whole blood, packed red blood cells or blood substitutes) is prohibited, and any evidence confirming use will be cause for action consistent with that taken for a positive drug test. (*Revised: 8/15/89, 5/4/92*)
- (b) **Local Anesthetics.** The Executive Committee will permit the limited use of local anesthetics under the following conditions:
 - (1) That procaine, xylocaine, carbocaine or any other local anesthetic may be used, but not cocaine; (*Revised: 12/9/91, 5/6/93*)
 - (2) That only local or topical injections can be used (i.e., intravenous injections are not permitted); and
 - (3) That use is medically justified only when permitting the athlete to continue the competition without potential risk to his or her health.
- (c) **Manipulation of Urine Samples.** The Executive Committee bans the use of substances and methods that alter the integrity and/or validity of urine samples provided during NCAA drug testing. Examples of banned methods are catheterization, urine substitution and/or tampering or modification of renal excretion by the use of diuretics, probenecid, bromantan or related compounds, and epitestosterone administration. (*Revised: 8/15/89, 6/17/92, 7/23/97*)
- (d) **Beta 2 Agonists.** The use of beta 2 agonists is permitted by inhalation only. (*Adopted: 8/13/93*)
- (e) **Additional Analysis.** Drug screening for select nonbanned substances may be conducted for nonpunitive purposes. (*Revised: 8/15/89*)

31.2.3.1.2 Positive Drug Test—Non-NCAA Athletics Organization. A student-athlete who has disclosed (i.e., in the student-athlete statement) a previous positive drug test for performance enhancing drugs administered by any other athletics organization (e.g., U.S. Olympic Committee) shall be required to submit to a drug test administered by the NCAA for the banned drugs listed in Bylaw 31.2.3.1. A student-athlete who is tested by the NCAA and found to have used a substance on the NCAA's list of banned drugs shall be declared ineligible for further participation in postseason and regular-season competition in accordance with the ineligibility provisions in Bylaws 31.2.3 and 18.4.1.5. (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

31.2.3.2 Medical Exceptions. Exceptions for categories (a), (c), (d) and (f) under Bylaw 31.2.3.1 may be made by the Executive Committee for those student-athletes with a documented medical history demonstrating the need for regular use of such a drug. (*Revised: 1/10/00*)

31.2.3.3 Methods for Drug Testing. The methods and any future modifications authorized by the Executive Committee for drug testing of student-athletes shall be summarized in The NCAA News. Copies of the modifications shall be available to member institutions.

31.2.3.4 Events Identified for Drug Tests. The Executive Committee shall determine the regular-season and postseason competition for which drug tests shall be made and the procedures to be followed in disclosing its determinations.

31.2.3.5 Individual Eligibility—Team Sanctions. Executive regulations pertaining to team-eligibility sanctions for positive tests resulting from the NCAA drug-testing program shall apply only in the following situation: If a student-athlete is declared ineligible before an NCAA team championship or a certified postseason football game and the institution knowingly allows him or her to participate, all team-ineligibility sanctions shall apply (i.e., the team shall be required to forfeit its awards and any revenue distribution it may have earned, and the team's and student-athlete's performances shall be deleted from NCAA records). In the case of certified postseason football contests, the team's and student-athlete's performances shall be deleted from NCAA records. (*Revised: 1/10/90*)

31.3 SELECTION OF TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS PARTICIPATION

A list of the institutions in good standing shall be supplied by the Association's president to the chair of each governing sports committee and to the athletics director of the host institution. This list should be observed carefully to assure that no entries are accepted from or invitations extended to ineligible institutions.

31.3.1 Size of Championships Fields. The size of all NCAA championships fields shall be established by the Championships Committee to provide for efficient management of the events, adequate NCAA championship opportunities relative to the nationwide quality of competition and sound economic administration of the financial resources of the Association and its championships. (*Revised: 8/13/93, 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

31.3.2 Selection Decisions of Sports Committees. The determination of sites, selection of teams or individuals, or their site assignment in championships competition made by a governing sports committee (or a designated subcommittee) may not be appealed.

31.3.3 Criteria for Selection of Participants. The following criteria shall be employed by a governing sports committee in selecting participants for NCAA championships competition, and a governing sports committee that wishes to use additional criteria must obtain Championships Committee approval before doing so:

- (a) Won-lost record;
- (b) Strength of schedule; and
- (c) Eligibility and availability of student-athletes for NCAA championships.

31.3.3.1 Countable Competition. For NCAA team-championship selection purposes, competition is countable only when the teams played are varsity intercollegiate teams of four-year, degree-granting institutions that conduct a majority of their competition in that team sport against varsity intercollegiate teams (see Constitution 3.2.4.4) of United States four-year, degree-granting institutions. Competition against service teams, professional teams, semiprofessional teams, amateur teams, two-year colleges and club teams shall be excluded.

31.3.3.2 Qualifying Standards. Individuals and teams required to meet performance standards to qualify for NCAA championships competition shall achieve such standards in meets held during the same academic year as the particular championship.

31.3.3.3 Ineligible Players on Team. The presence on a varsity squad of one or more players who are ineligible, or unavailable due to injury, for NCAA championships competition does not necessarily disqualify that team from consideration. If such a player(s) contributed materially to the team's success during the season, the committee may choose not to select that team, based on the conclusion that without the use of the ineligible or unavailable player(s), the team would not have been able to compile the record that brought it before the committee for consideration. It shall be the responsibility of the governing sports committee to apply the criterion "contributed materially" to each case as it arises.

31.3.3.4 Selection of Official Conference Representative When Automatic Qualification Is Not Applicable. The governing sports committee shall select the official conference representative (as determined by the conference through regular-season competition or a conference tournament) to participate in an NCAA championship before it may select any other team from that conference. This regulation applies to National Collegiate Championships and team championships in the sports of baseball, basketball, fencing, field hockey, football, golf, gymnastics, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball, tennis, volleyball and water polo, when a selection process other than automatic qualification (see Bylaw 31.02.1) is used. This provision is applicable, if the conference: (*Revised: 1/11/89 effective 8/1/89*)

- (a) Is a member of the Association and conducts its regular-season competition under eligibility rules at least as stringent as those provisions of Bylaw 14 applicable to its members;
- (b) Conducts a championship in the team sport (and has conducted a championship in that sport for at least two consecutive years);
- (c) Has at least two-thirds of its member institutions sponsor the sport as a varsity intercollegiate sport and participate in the process that determines the conference champion; and
- (d) Competes in the sport in question during the same season in which the national championship in that sport is conducted and determines its conference champion before the date on which the appropriate governing sports committee selects teams (as indicated in the appropriate championships handbook). If a conference conducts a tournament to determine its champion, that tournament must be conducted in the same season as the national championship in that sport. If member institutions tie for the conference championship in a sport and the conference wishes the provisions of this regulation to be applied, it must declare one champion and advise the governing sports committee of this before the date on which teams are selected.

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31.3.3.4.1 Waiver Opportunity. The conference shall advise the NCAA championships staff in writing by September 1 of each year whether it wishes the selection process set forth in Bylaw 31.3.3.4 to be applied or waived. Once the conference has indicated its intention regarding the application or waiver of this regulation, it may not be changed during that year.

31.3.3.4.1.1 First Waiver. Conferences that fail to meet the deadline may appeal to the Management Council for a waiver of the deadline. Such an appeal must be submitted to the national office not later than October 15. If the Management Council grants the appeal, the conference shall be granted a waiver. (*Revised: 12/4/89*)

31.3.3.4.1.2 Future Waivers. Such a conference that fails to meet the September 1 deadline in a future year may be granted a waiver only on payment of a penalty of \$150 for the second offense and \$300 for each additional offense during the five-year period after the last offense. On approval of the Management Council of such waiver and receipt of the conference's check in the national office, the conference may use the selection process set forth in Bylaw 31.3.3.4, provided it is otherwise eligible to do so.

31.3.3.5 Removal of Committee Member from Selection Process. If a team or individual athlete(s) of the institution of a member of the governing sports committee is under consideration for selection, that person shall withdraw from the committee deliberations while that team or individual(s) is being considered and shall not participate in any discussion or vote affecting that particular selection. The chair of the committee may appoint a replacement, if it is deemed necessary. In the event the chair must withdraw, an individual shall be appointed by him or her to assume the responsibilities of the chair. The new chair may appoint a replacement to fill the vacancy, if it is deemed necessary. In the event a replacement is appointed, geographical representation on the committee shall be maintained insofar as possible.

31.3.3.6 Exclusion of Institution Reclassifying from Division II to Division I or III. In all sports, any Division II institution that has forwarded to the national office written notice of its intention to change its membership classification to Division I or III per Bylaw 20.5.2.1 no longer shall be eligible to participate in any future Division II NCAA championship. (*Adopted: 1/11/94 effective 8/1/94, Revised: 1/11/00 effective 8/1/00 for those institutions that begin the reclassification period 9/1/00*)

31.3.4 Automatic Qualification. Each governing sports committee may recommend annually to the Championships Committee those conferences that should receive automatic qualification for their teams or individual student-athletes into NCAA championships. The decision of the Championships Committee shall be final. Before recommending that a conference receive automatic qualification, a governing sports committee shall ensure that the member conference meets the requirements specified in Bylaws 31.3.4.1 through 31.3.4.4. (*Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)

31.3.4.1 General Requirements. To be eligible for automatic qualification, a member conference must meet the following general requirements:

- (a) Conference competition must be conducted in the applicable sport and the conference champion in that sport must be determined not later than the date on which participants are selected for the NCAA championship, either by regular in-season conference competition or a conference meet or tournament, as indicated at the time of application. If a conference's competition to determine its automatic qualifier is unexpectedly terminated (e.g., due to inclement weather), the conference may designate its qualifier, provided it has established objective criteria for making that designation and has communicated that information to the appropriate sports committee by a specified deadline. (*Revised: 8/13/93*)
- (b) In the event of a tie for the conference championship, the conference shall have the responsibility of determining which team or individual shall represent the conference in NCAA competition. If a play-off is held, such competition shall be considered conference competition, not NCAA competition.
- (c) A conference may establish subdivisions and conduct competition within each subdivision to determine a conference champion, as long as each subdivision consists of at least four members. Conferences with subdivisions of four members must conduct double round-robin competition within each subdivision, plus a postseason tournament, to determine their champion. Conferences with subdivisions of five or more members may conduct either single or double round-robin competition within each subdivision, plus a postseason tournament to determine their champion. (*Revised: 12/9/91, 10/18/95*)
- (d) The conference must maintain and actively enforce compliance with eligibility rules at least as stringent as those in Bylaw 14 applicable to its members. The use of an ineligible player by a team in a conference that has been granted automatic qualification may result in the involved team being denied the right to be the automatic entry in the NCAA championship. The governing sports committee may recommend loss of the automatic-qualification privilege for the conference during the season in which the violation occurred or for a future championship.

- (e) Competition in the applicable sport must be of sufficient quality to warrant automatic qualification. The criteria for determining the quality of competition shall be won-lost record and strength of schedule of both the conference as a whole and its individual member institutions.
- (f) All eligible member institutions must agree to participate in the appropriate NCAA championship. If a conference champion is ineligible to compete, declines to compete or cannot compete for any reason, automatic qualification shall be withdrawn for that year, and the remaining conference members shall be considered at large. Automatic qualification for a conference shall not be withdrawn if a conference champion declines to compete in an NCAA championship for reasons related to written religious policies against competition on certain days. *(Revised: 1/10/00)*
- (g) If a conference comprises members of more than one division, it may be granted automatic qualification for a championship either in the division in which the conference holds membership or in a different division, provided the conference or a subdivision of the conference meets the automatic-qualification requirements.
- (h) All institutions may hold membership in only that conference in the sport in which automatic qualification is sought and may participate in only that conference's process to determine the automatic qualifier. *(Adopted: 12/5/94)*

31.3.4.1.1 Notification, Automatic Qualification in Jeopardy. A governing sports committee must issue a written warning one year in advance to a conference that is in jeopardy of losing its automatic qualification. (Note: This regulation does not apply to the following championships in which a play-in system has been established.)

31.3.4.2 Additional Requirements. The conference must have:

- (a) Been a member conference of the Association for two consecutive academic years. The Championships Committee may grant a waiver of the two-year waiting period; *(Revised: 12/6/92)*
- (b) Conducted competition in the sport in question for two consecutive years at the time of its application for automatic qualification. The Championships Committee may grant a waiver of the two-year waiting period; and
- (c) Have at least six members that sponsor the sport on a varsity intercollegiate basis in the division in which automatic qualification is sought and that are eligible for the NCAA championship, and have had at least six members that are eligible for the NCAA championship participate in the process that determines the automatic qualifier. *(Revised: 8/15/89)*

31.3.4.3 Sports Groupings for Automatic Qualification. For purposes of evaluating criteria for automatic qualification, the various sports shall be grouped as follows:

- (a) Team sports—baseball, basketball, field hockey, football, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball, volleyball and water polo;
- (b) Timed individual sports—indoor track and field, outdoor track and field, and swimming; and
- (c) Other individual sports—cross country, fencing, golf, gymnastics, rifle, skiing, tennis and wrestling. In this category, a sports committee may grant exceptions to the six-team requirement, subject to the approval of the Championships Committee.

31.3.4.4 Limitations on Automatic-Qualifying Positions. The sports committees must limit the number of automatic-qualifying positions to be awarded in relationship to the size of the championships fields and the number of at-large positions that must remain open for other member institutions. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

31.3.5 Selection of Balance of Championship Field. Once the official representative(s) of each qualifying conference is determined, the governing sports committee responsible for selection of the balance of the championship field shall consider objectively and without prejudice the competitive records of all other eligible student-athletes and teams (including representatives of the other members of the conferences receiving automatic qualification). To the best of its ability, the committee shall select the most highly qualified individuals and teams to complete the championship field in accordance with the regional structure, if any, approved for the particular championship.

31.3.6 Institution Trademarks. Participation in a National Collegiate Championship constitutes acquiescence by the member institution that the Association may use the institution's name, mascot and other identifying marks in championship-related activities, including television, promotion, licensing and merchandising programs incident to the championship. Revenues derived from such activities, less expenses, will be remitted to the member institution. *(Revised: 11/3/93)*

31.4 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION OF CHAMPIONSHIPS

See Figure 31-1, page 335, for a summary of the elements in the administration of finances for NCAA championships.

31.4.1 Host Institution's Responsibility. The host institution shall administer the finances of an NCAA championship in accordance with this bylaw and consistent with the institution's championship budget, as submitted to and approved by the governing sports committee and the Championships Committee.

31.4.1.1 Institution's Financial Report. A financial report from each championship site shall be submitted to the NCAA president not later than 60 days after the conclusion of the competition and shall bear certification of the athletics director of the host institution. The report shall be submitted on a form approved and provided by the NCAA president.

31.4.1.1.1 Exclusions. A host institution or sponsoring agency shall not include, in its financial report or in its percentage of net receipts, television rights fees or income from the sale of championships merchandise. Also, income from program advertising or sales shall not be included in the host institution's or sponsoring agency's financial report or percentage of net receipts if the program is produced and sold under contract between the NCAA and an outside agency.

31.4.2 Gross Receipts. Gross receipts shall be all revenues derived from the championship, including:

- (a) Sale of tickets. All tickets shall be accounted for at face value and shall become a part of gross receipts. Working passes may be provided to bona fide working personnel, including media representatives; and participation passes may be provided to student-athletes competing in the championship, as well as to their coaches, athletics trainers, managers and other members of the participating institution's official party as defined by the Association;
- (b) Net revenue from marketing items sold at the site through or by an outside agency under contract with the NCAA;
- (c) Program sales and advertising;
- (d) Radio, television and movie rights; and
- (e) Any other income derived from the operation of the championship.

31.4.2.1 Exclusions. Income from concessions and parking shall accrue to the host institution or sponsoring agency and is not included in gross receipts. Sales commissions received by a host institution for selling marketing items on behalf of an outside agency under contract with the NCAA shall accrue to the host institution.

31.4.2.2 Waiver. Any waiver of the policies for the gross receipts of championships shall be approved in advance by the Championships Committee.

31.4.3 Game Expenses. Game expenses are the actual costs directly related to the administration and conduct of the championship, including specifically the costs for tickets (printing, selling and collecting), sales taxes, ushers, game officials, police, buildings and grounds expenses, printing of related materials, motion pictures of the competition (if authorized by the Championships Committee), reasonable entertainment, expenses of selection committees authorized by the governing sports committee and any other out-of-pocket expense directly related to the administration and conduct of the championship. (*Revised: 12/2/90*)

31.4.3.1 Exclusions. The following items shall not be included as game expenses:

- (a) The cost of permanent equipment, local transportation of competing teams and on-campus facility rental charges; and
- (b) A fee or honorarium for athletics department staff members of the host institution (e.g., athletics director, assistant athletics director, business manager, ticket manager, coach, sports information director or athletics trainer). (Note: Such a payment could be made from the host institution's share of net receipts.)

31.4.3.2 Waiver. Any waiver of the policies for game expenses shall be approved in advance by the Championships Committee.

31.4.4 Institutional Allowance. The host institution may share in the balance remaining after game expenses are deducted from the gross receipts. Television rights fees and income from championships programs and merchandise produced and sold under contract between the NCAA and an outside agency shall not be included in determining the host institution's allowance.

31.4.4.1 Permissible Allowances. The amount of institutional allowance varies with the sport, the

level of championships competition, whether there is a common site for men's and women's championships and whether an institution's facilities are used. The permissible institutional allowances (from balance of gross receipts after deduction of game expenses) are as follows: (*Revised: 5/1/89, 5/1/96*)

	TEAM ^{1,2,3}		INDIVIDUAL ^{1,2,3}	
	Preliminary	Final	Preliminary	Final
One day	\$575	\$1,150	\$700	\$1,725
Two days	\$750	\$1,450	\$870	\$2,000
Three or more days	\$920	\$1,725	\$1,150	\$2,300

¹ For championships conducted at institutional facilities, hosts may deduct the permissible allowance above or a maximum of 15 percent of gross receipts after deduction of game expenses whichever is greater.

² For championships conducted at off-campus facilities, hosts may deduct the permissible allowance or a maximum of 10 percent of gross receipts after deduction of game expenses, on the recommendation of the sports committee and approval of the Championships Committee.

³ Amount is doubled for common-site men's and women's championships.

31.4.4.2 Restrictions. The following restrictions apply to allowances to host institutions:

- (a) If an institution's department of intercollegiate athletics must pay a rental fee for the use of an on-campus facility, such fee shall be deducted from the institution's share of the net receipts or allowance; and
- (b) No other sum from the receipts of an NCAA championship, or from any other source, shall be paid to the college or university sponsoring or acting as host of the NCAA championship except to cover actual and necessary expenses directly incurred in the conduct of the championship as noted in Bylaw 31.4.3.

31.4.5 Administrative Expenses. After the institution's allowance has been deducted, the athletics director of the host institution shall forward the remaining receipts to the NCAA president, who then deducts administrative expenses and costs incurred by governing sports committees and their representatives in matters of championships administration.

31.4.6 Transportation and Per Diem Expenses. Subject to the availability of funds, the Championships Committee may pay transportation and per diem expenses incurred by teams and individual competitors in NCAA championships competition. At its August meeting, the Championships Committee shall determine and announce to the membership the percentage of transportation expense and the per diem allowance to be paid in each championship for the next academic year.

31.4.6.1 Division I and National Collegiate Championships. For National Collegiate Championships, the Association shall provide transportation expenses and per diem allowances for the official traveling parties of competing institutions in team championships. In individual-team championships other than track and field, the Association shall provide transportation and per diem allowances for competing individuals and for the following numbers of nonathletes: two nonathletes from each team selected, one nonathlete for institutions with one to four individuals selected and two nonathletes for institutions with more than four individuals selected. Exceptions approved for individual-team championships are specified in the respective championships handbook. (*Revised: 8/14/90, 5/6/93, 8/3/95*)

31.4.6.2 Championships. For team championships, transportation expenses and per diem allowances shall be paid for the official traveling parties of competing institutions. For individual-team championships other than track and field, transportation expenses and per diem allowances shall be provided for the competing individuals and for the following numbers of nonathletes: one nonathlete from each team selected and for the sports of swimming, track and field and wrestling, one nonathlete for institutions with one to four individuals selected and two nonathletes for institutions with more than four individuals selected. Institutions participating in both the Division II Men's or Women's Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field Championships will receive transportation expenses and per diem allowances for one, but not both, events. (*Revised: 8/12/91, 5/6/93*)

31.4.6.3 Limitations. In individual-team championships, transportation and per diem allowances shall be paid only for the final competition and not for regional qualifying meets or tournaments. In a division that generates net revenues from its division championships, those revenues first shall be used to pay transportation costs for individual championships of that division before such funds shall be used to underwrite the transportation expenses of individual championships of other divisions.

31.4.6.3.1 Individual-Team Championships. Both individual and team championships are determined in the following sports: cross country, fencing, golf, gymnastics, rifle, skiing, swimming, tennis, indoor track and field, outdoor track and field, and wrestling.

31.4.6.4 Official Traveling Parties. The following are the approved official traveling parties for which expenses shall be provided in accordance with the provisions of this section: (*Revised: 8/15/89, 8/14/90, 5/6/93, 5/6/94, 8/3/95*)

Baseball	28
Men's and Women's Basketball	20
Field Hockey	24
Football	70
National Collegiate Women's Lacrosse	30
National Collegiate Women's Rowing (<i>Adopted: 1/14/97</i>)	31
Men's and Women's Soccer	23
Women's Softball	23
Men's Volleyball	18
Women's Volleyball	17
Men's Water Polo	19

31.4.6.5 Administration of Expense Reimbursement. The president shall administer the transportation and per diem expense program according to guidelines established by the Championships Committee.

31.4.6 Net Receipts. After payment of game and administrative expenses for each championship, the president shall place the remaining moneys in the general operating fund of the Association to be used to cover other expenses of the Association and to be apportioned among member institutions, as directed by the Championships Committee. (*Revised: 8/14/90*)

31.4.7 Distribution of Forfeited Receipts. An institution may be obligated to return its share of the revenue distribution for permitting an ineligible student-athlete to participate in the championship (see Bylaw 31.2.2.5). If so, such funds shall be distributed among other member institutions according to a formula prescribed by the Championships Committee. (*Revised: 8/14/90*)

31.4.8 Publication of Championships Financial Summaries. A financial summary of each championship shall be published in the Annual Reports of the Association.

31.5 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION OF POSTSEASON FOOTBALL

The Championships Committee shall require that all contests subject to the regulations set forth in Bylaws 18.7 and 30.9 meet the financial provisions specified below.

31.5.1 Competing Institutions' Percentage of Gross Receipts. In accordance with Bylaw 30.9.10, institutions competing in such contests shall receive not less than 75 percent of the gross receipts or not less than \$750,000 for each participating institution during the 1994-95 and 1995-96 academic years, whichever is greater. The amount shall be divided equally between the institutions. Out of this percentage of gross receipts, each institution may be required to pay its own transportation and other team expenses incidental to the game. (*Revised: 8/15/89, 6/17/92, 6/2/93, 2/16/94, 4/20/94*)

31.5.1.1 Exception—New Bowl Game Not Located in North America. Each institution participating in such a contest located outside of North America shall receive not less than \$1.5 million. (*Adopted: 10/12/95*)

31.5.1.2 Letter of Credit—Initial Certification. An agency that wishes to sponsor a postseason football contest must secure a \$2 million irrevocable letter of credit issued by a United States financial institution payable to the NCAA. The letter shall be in effect from the time of the agency's initial application to the Championships Committee at the committee's annual spring meeting, until it is replaced after certification by a new letter of credit guaranteeing the revenues that will be distributed to the participating teams, plus an additional 25 percent to cover expenses related to game management, operations and administration for any game that has not been certified for three consecutive years. (*Revised: 8/15/89, 6/17/92*)

31.5.1.3 Letter of Credit—Recertification. A postseason football contest that has not distributed a minimum of \$1 million to each participating institution during the preceding three-year period shall secure annually an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a United States financial institution guaranteeing the minimum revenues that will be distributed to the participating teams, plus an additional 25 percent to cover expenses related to game management, operations and administration. The letter of credit shall be made payable to the NCAA and annually shall cover the period from November 1 through May 1 and shall specify that the Association is responsible for the distribution of revenues to

the participating institutions in the event of default. The cost of the letter of credit shall be deducted from the contest's gross income. (*Revised: 8/15/89*)

31.5.1.4 Waiver. A waiver of this provision may be granted to “closed” games (see Bylaw 30.9.2.1).

31.5.2 Components of Gross Receipts. The gross receipts shall include all revenues derived from the game, including: (*Revised: 5/7/90, 12/9/91*)

- (a) Sale of tickets (less applicable taxes, except those paid as stadium-use taxes for stadium rental or in lieu thereof). Any complimentary tickets shall be accounted for at face value and shall become a part of the gross receipts;
- (b) Concessions;
- (c) Programs sales;
- (d) Advertising for radio, television and tickets;
- (e) Radio, television (including pay-per-view income) and movie/video rights;
- (f) Merchandising sales;
- (g) Licensing fees;
- (h) Title sponsorship;
- (i) Corporate sponsors/contributors;
- (j) Interest income;
- (k) Membership fees/dues; and
- (l) Any other income derived from the operation of the game as identified by the Championships Committee.

31.5.2.1 Deductions from Gross Receipts. The following expenses incurred by the sponsoring agency of a postseason football game may be deducted from gross receipts:

- (a) Letter of credit required for initial certification or recertification;
- (b) Annual certification fee paid to the Association;
- (c) Corporate sponsor expense approved by the Championships Committee;
- (d) All radio income, providing the official network or station of at least one of the participating institutions originates the broadcast of the game;
- (e) Awards for participating student-athletes; (*Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97*)
- (f) A pro rata share of expenses for multi-bowl promotional activities approved in advance by the committee; and
- (g) Expenses for game-related events approved by the Championships Committee.

31.5.3 Administrative Expenses. Each certified postseason bowl game shall pay annually, on notification of certification, a \$12,000 fee from its net receipts to the Association (if authorized by the Executive Committee in accordance with Bylaw 31.2.3.4). (*Revised: 8/15/89*)

31.5.4 Loss-of-Income Insurance. The management of each certified postseason football game annually shall make available loss-of-income insurance for a participating institution to purchase at its option and expense, which may be deducted from the respective institution's share of gross receipts. (*Revised: 5/7/90*)

31.5.5 Programs/Concessions, Third Party. When the printing and sale of programs or the production and sale of concession items are performed by an independent third party under contract with the sponsoring agency, whereby it receives only a share of the net receipts, gross receipts shall include only the net amount received for such items by the sponsoring agency from the third party.

31.6 RIGHTS TO NCAA PROPERTIES AND MARKETING RESTRICTIONS

31.6.1 Names and Marks. The NCAA owns or controls all rights and interests in its name, logo, seal, trademarks and service marks, whether registered or unregistered, including “National Collegiate Athletic Association,” “NCAA,” “National Collegiate Championships,” “NCAAction,” “College Sports USA,” “The Final Four,” “Women’s Final Four,” “College World Series,” “Women’s College World Series” and “Stagg Bowl.” The NCAA will prosecute infringement of identical or confusingly similar marks. The NCAA shall maintain control over the nature and quality of the goods and services rendered under the marks; therefore, no use of the marks by others will be permitted in advertising, in association with commercial services or related to the sale of merchandise without the specific approval of the NCAA. (*Revised: 1/29/90*)

Rights to NCAA Properties/31.6.2—31.6.4.2

31.6.2 Concessions. The following conditions or restrictions apply to all concession items sold at any event sponsored or administered by the Association:

- (a) Any merchandise or material bearing any name, logo, trademarks or service marks of the Association that is to be sold or distributed at an event sponsored or administered by the Association must have the prior approval of the president before being sold or distributed. No such merchandise or material shall be sold or distributed by anyone except as designated by the NCAA. The host institution may sell merchandise that features an institutional mark or logo at NCAA competition only if it has guaranteed a sellout of the NCAA merchandise at the site of the competition and has agreed to provide the NCAA championship 25 percent of gross sales (after sales taxes) of all non-NCAA championship merchandise. The quantity of NCAA merchandise sent to the site shall have the prior approval of the president and shall not be less than a comparable shipment to a comparable site of the previous year's championship. *(Revised: 12/4/89)*
- (b) The NCAA owns the rights to all concession items other than food or drink sold at such events. Any merchandise or material to be sold at such events must have prior approval of the NCAA president, and any unapproved material shall be barred from the premises. If the championship facility has prior contractual commitments with outside vendors, the NCAA will endeavor to work with such vendors to advance the policies of the Association in the sale of concession items as herein stated.
- (c) The NCAA may authorize others, including the host institution or the coaches organization for the sport involved in the particular event, to sell and distribute concession items.
- (d) Income payable to the NCAA from the sale of concession items other than food and drink at such events shall be included in the gross receipts of the championship.
- (e) No alcoholic beverages shall be sold or dispensed for public consumption at any event sponsored by or administered by the Association.

31.6.3 Programs. The Association reserves the right to publish and sell any program sold or distributed for an NCAA championship. It may award such rights for any championship to another party or agency, provided it retains the right to review and approve the content of all programs to be sold or distributed, and provided it shall receive a guaranteed amount or predetermined percentage of program receipts. All financial arrangements for official programs produced by the host institution or sponsoring agency shall be reflected in the proposed budget, and receipts and expenses shall be entered in the financial report of the championship. If the program is produced and sold under contract between the NCAA and an outside agency, income from program advertising or sales shall not be included in the host institution's or sponsoring agency's financial report or percentage of net receipts.

31.6.4 Championships Properties. The Association owns all rights to each and all of its championships as listed in 18.3. These rights include, in addition to the rights with respect to participation and admission, rights to television (live and delayed), radio broadcasting, filming and commercial photography. In addition, the NCAA reserves the right to sell items developed through the NCAA marketing program at the site of a championship.

31.6.4.1 Awarding Media Rights. Television, radio and film rights shall be awarded in such a manner as to advance most fully the following interests:

- (a) Gate attendance;
- (b) Promotion of interest in the sport;
- (c) Promotion of intercollegiate athletics as a part of collegiate education; and
- (d) Promotion of the Association and its purposes and fundamental policy.

31.6.4.1.1 Procedures. Specific policy decisions under the foregoing are determined by the governing sports committee for the particular championship, subject to the approval of the Championships Committee. Negotiations with respect to the awarding of any such rights shall be conducted by the president, who shall have authority to determine the specific terms and conditions and to execute contracts for the award of such rights in behalf of the Association. Inquiries concerning all such rights should be directed to the president at the national office. In accordance with the policies stated herein, the president shall negotiate with any party interested in such rights when they are available.

31.6.4.2 Photographs, Films and Videotapes. The Association reserves all rights to the use of still photographs, films and videotapes of its championships. All rights to photograph, film and videotape NCAA championships may be assigned to media representatives for news purposes but otherwise are to be controlled exclusively by NCAA Productions, a unit of the NCAA. NCAA Productions shall film or videotape certain NCAA championships, as recommended by the governing sports committees and approved by the Championships Committee. Its cost in filming or videotaping an NCAA championship and producing prints or videodubs for the NCAA library of films shall be entered as an item of game expenses for that championship. The filming or videotaping of NCAA championships by parties other

than NCAA Productions (i.e., participating institutions or commercial film production companies) for any purpose other than news purposes may be permitted only with the advance written consent of the president.

31.6.4.3 Use of Action Footage on Television News Programs. The games committee of a particular NCAA championship for which exclusive rights have not been awarded may permit single television stations or television and/or cable networks to broadcast action footage of the championship (on a live or delayed basis) on their regular television news programs (see Bylaw 31.6.4.3.1). Unless otherwise approved by the NCAA, these broadcasts shall not exceed three minutes of action footage of the championship, unless broadcast rights have been secured from the Association by payment of a rights fee. The president shall be authorized to interpret and apply these provisions as necessary.

31.6.4.3.1 News Program. A “news program” shall be a regularly scheduled program devoted exclusively to general news and/or sports news. Sports entertainment programs do not qualify under this provision.

31.6.4.4 Live Microphone on Coach. The placement of microphones on a team coach or in team huddles and bench areas for television, radio or motion-picture purposes is prohibited in all NCAA championships.

31.6.4.5 Promotional Announcements for Professional Sports Contests. During the telecast of any NCAA championship, there shall be no more than two promotional announcements for telecasts of professional sports contests. Each such announcement shall not exceed 15 seconds in length. It may be of a billboard nature only and shall not include any action footage of any professional sports contest. If less than the complete championship segment is televised, only one such professional announcement shall be permitted. These restrictions shall not apply to certified postseason bowl games. (*Revised: 8/15/89*)

31.7 GENERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

31.7.1 General Operating Budget. The Executive Committee shall adopt a budget for the ensuing fiscal year before the end of any current fiscal year. The budget, as approved, shall list all anticipated revenues and expenses for the coming fiscal year, including transfers to or withdrawals from reserve funds.

31.7.2 Committee and Delegate Finances

31.7.2.1 Allowable Expenses, Committee Members. Any member of an NCAA committee who is entitled under the following regulations to reimbursement of expenses for attendance at a committee meeting shall not receive such payment if the member fails to remain in actual attendance at the meeting for its entire duration as announced in advance. However, in any special case where a committee member for valid reasons is granted permission by the chair for late arrival or early departure, the member shall receive reimbursement in full.

31.7.2.1.1 Transportation Allowances. A committee member may be reimbursed for the following transportation expenses: (*Revised: 1/13/98 effective 2/1/98*)

- (a) **Commercial Airline.** The member must travel either by coach or “super saver,” and (*Revised: 8/12/91, 1/13/98 effective 2/1/98, Revised: 1/12/99*)
- (b) **Automobile.** The member may claim 27 cents per mile for the round trip, based upon the most direct route between the two points. (*Revised: 1/13/98 effective 2/1/98*)

31.7.2.1.1.1 Travel to Competition Site. A committee member or designated representative who travels to the site of preliminary competition in an NCAA championship via either ground or coach-class air may claim 27 cents per mile based on the most direct route between the two points. (*Revised: 1/13/98*)

31.7.2.1.2 Per Diem Allowance. A per diem allowance of \$75 may be claimed for each day or part thereof away from home, except that no more than one day’s travel each way may be claimed. The Association shall pay single-room and tax charges for committee members attending scheduled committee meetings or on Association business. Incidental charges shall be the responsibility of the committee member. (*Revised: 8/3/95, 1/13/98*)

31.7.2.1.3 Actual Expenses. The Management Council or Executive Committee for Association-Wide Issues may authorize reimbursement of actual expenses, if circumstances warrant.

31.7.2.1.4 Meeting Frequency. Payment of expenses for attendance at meetings of an NCAA standing committee shall be limited to two meetings per year unless otherwise authorized by the Management Council, Presidents Council or Executive Committee for Association-wide issues. (*Revised: 1/10/00*)

31.7.2.1.5 Meeting Site. Recommendations for sites of meetings of standing and special committees shall be submitted by the committee chair to the NCAA president and are subject to the following conditions:

General Financial Management/31.7.2.1.5—31.7.4.2

- (a) Committees that meet only once per year are required to meet in the Indianapolis metropolitan area in alternate years; (*Revised: 1/10/98, 1/12/99*)
- (b) Committees that meet more than once per year are required to conduct at least one-half of the meetings in the Indianapolis metropolitan area (e.g., one of two or two of four); and (*Revised: 1/10/98, 1/12/99*)
- (c) All meetings of NCAA committees shall be held within the 48 contiguous states.

31.7.2.1.6 Special Committees. The expense allowance for any special committees or for individuals engaged in official Association business shall be determined by the Management Council or Executive Committee for Association-wide committees.

31.7.2.1.7 Sports Committees. Meetings of sports committees shall be held at places and times other than those authorized for the championships of their respective sports and shall be limited to two days (plus travel time) for purposes of the NCAA per diem expense allowance, unless other arrangements have been approved by the Management Council or Executive Committee for Association-wide committees.

31.7.2.1.8 Expense Allowance for Conventions. An expense allowance shall not be granted for committee meetings held in connection with a Convention of the Association, except that standing committees that regularly meet before or after an Association Convention shall be entitled to one day's per diem for each day or part thereof on Association business, subject to the approval of the Management Council or Executive Committee for Association-wide committees.

31.7.2.1.9 Approval of Payments. All expense payments shall be approved in writing by the committee chair or, in the case of the Management Council, Presidents Council and Executive Committee, by the secretary-treasurer or the president.

31.7.2.1.10 Waivers. The president, subject to the approval of the Management Council or Executive Committee for Association-Wide Issues, may grant such waivers of the committee-expense regulations in particular cases as are deemed advisable to prevent hardship on a committee or an individual committee member.

31.7.2.2 Allowable Delegate Expenses

31.7.2.2.1 Meetings of Other Organizations. Delegates of the Association attending meetings of other organizations (e.g., various sports federations) shall be entitled to the same expense allowances as those outlined in Bylaw 31.7.2.

31.7.2.2.2 Games Committees for International Competition. NCAA delegates to games committees appointed to supervise international competition may not receive expenses to more than one meeting during each academic year.

31.7.2.2.3 Governing Boards of Other Organizations. NCAA delegates to the governing boards of other organizations may claim an expense allowance for each regular or special meeting of the particular board.

31.7.2.3 Prohibition against Funding Olympics. Income from the Association's championships shall not be allocated to the Olympic fund.

31.7.3 Indemnification

The Association has adopted regulations authorizing the Executive Committee to indemnify its members, members of the appropriate divisional governing bodies, members of general and sports committees, members of special committees, members of drug-testing crews and crew chiefs, and the national office staff against certain expenses, judgments, fines and settlement payments incurred in connection with legal actions brought against them because of their service in such capacities. The specific provisions, conditions and limitations of this authorization, as adopted by the Executive Committee, were circularized to the membership in the Official Notice of the 71st NCAA Convention (January 10-12, 1977) and also appear in the Official Program and the printed Proceedings of that Convention.

31.7.4 Insurance

31.7.4.1 Primary Liability. Host institutions and sponsoring agencies of NCAA championships shall have in place primary comprehensive general public liability insurance coverage with combined single limits of at least \$1 million per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage and shall provide the national office with the appropriate insurance certificates, unless statutes of the state in which the host institution or sponsoring agency is located provide a lesser maximum recovery limit and documentation of that statute is on file at the NCAA national office. (*Revised: 12/2/90*)

31.7.4.2 Excess Liability. The Association maintains excess liability insurance coverage for the con-

duct of NCAA championships. The coverage includes bodily injury and property damage resulting from accidents.

31.7.4.3 Injury, Death and Dismemberment. Basic athletics-injury, catastrophic-injury, and accidental death and dismemberment insurance for participants in NCAA championships shall be provided by the Association.

31.8 PERSONNEL

31.8.1 Employment. In accordance with Constitution 4.1.2-(b), the president is authorized to employ such persons as may be necessary to conduct efficiently the business of the Association. The number of administrative personnel that may be employed shall be determined at the beginning of each fiscal year and may not be increased without the approval of the Executive Committee. The president may employ as many nonadministrative personnel as may be necessary.

31.8.1.1 Affirmative Action. In the selection of personnel for appointment, the policies and procedures of the Association's affirmative-action program, as approved by the Executive Committee, shall be followed.

31.8.2 Staff Operations. The national office staff operations shall be reviewed by the Executive Committee. Among the items to be reviewed by the subcommittee are:

- (a) Employee compensation;
- (b) Employee benefits; and
- (c) Allegations of improper conduct by any member of the national office staff as reported to the president.

31.8.2.1 Employee Compensation and Benefits. The Executive Committee shall review staff compensation and benefits at least once each year and shall recommend changes to the Executive Committee.

31.8.2.2 Pension Trust Plan. The policies for the retirement benefits of the staff are set forth in the NCAA Pension Trust Plan, which was adopted and may be revised by the Executive Committee.

31.9 NCAA CORPORATIONS AND FOUNDATIONS

31.9.1 National Collegiate Realty Corporation. This for-profit corporation is a wholly owned subsidiary of the NCAA. It was formed for the sole purpose of holding title to the Association's office buildings and land.

31.9.2 NCAA Marketing Corporation. This for-profit corporation is a wholly owned subsidiary of the NCAA. It was formed to assist the Association in promoting intercollegiate athletics and in generating revenue through advertising and sale of merchandise carrying the trademarks of the NCAA and any or all member institutions.

31.9.3 NCAA Foundation. This not-for-profit corporation was formed by the Association for the purpose of receiving and administering funds to advance the scientific, educational and charitable purposes of the NCAA.

31.10 NATIONAL STATISTICS PROGRAM

A national statistics program shall be maintained for active member institutions in the sports of football, men's and women's basketball, baseball, men's ice hockey, men's and women's lacrosse, men's and women's soccer, women's softball and women's volleyball. The NCAA Management Council shall determine the statistics program's policies and procedures.

31.10.1 General Policies

31.10.1.1 Statistics Reporting. For a member institution to be eligible for either an individual or a team national statistics title, it shall have filed reports with the national office before the midway point in its regular-season schedule and shall have reported weekly thereafter. If a conference office files the reports, both the league and the institution share the responsibility for providing the updates on a regular basis as described above.

31.10.1.2 Substantiation of Statistics. Filing a statistics report does not ensure automatically a member institution's inclusion in the NCAA's national statistics rankings. The report shall be mathematically accurate. Unusual statistics that cannot be promptly supported will not be included in the rankings. The NCAA shall withhold such reports from the ranking until a satisfactory explanation and substantiation of the statistics are submitted by an appropriate official of the member institution involved.

31.10.1.3 Correlation with Conference Statistical Rules. If a conference adopts a statistical rule dif-

ferent than that of the NCAA, the Executive Committee shall determine on a case-by-case basis how the statistics resulting from use of the special rule will be related to the national statistics program.

31.10.1.4 Countable Opponents. Only contests against varsity intercollegiate teams of four-year, degree-granting institutions shall be included in individual and team statistics, won-lost record and coaching records. Contests against service teams, professional teams, semiprofessional teams, amateur teams, two-year colleges and club teams are specifically excluded. Further, only contests against varsity intercollegiate teams of four-year, degree-granting institutions that play a majority of their contests in that sport against varsity intercollegiate teams (per Constitution 3.2.4.4) of United States four-year, degree-granting institutions shall be tabulated for inclusion in such statistics (and counted for purposes of team selection for an NCAA championship per Bylaw 31.3.3.1).

31.10.1.5 Ranking Minimums. Ranking minimums shall be determined by the national office to assure a valid comparative basis. The minimums shall be based on the normal participation or performance levels of the “field” in a given category and shall be reviewed annually.

31.10.1.6 Individual Minimum-Games Requirement. To be ranked, a student-athlete must appear in 75 percent of the team’s games (a volleyball student-athlete must appear in 66.6 percent of the team’s games, an ice hockey goaltender must play in 33.3 percent of the team’s minutes and a lacrosse goaltender must play in 60 percent of the team’s minutes). National per-game rankings shall be based on the number of games an individual actually plays; and even if a player is in the lineup for only one play, the player shall be charged with a game played whether or not the player touches the ball.

31.10.1.6.1 Exception. For statistical purposes only, if a player appears in a football game only to hold the ball on point-after-touchdown kick attempts, he shall not be charged with a game played. However, if he becomes statistically involved on the play (e.g., successfully runs, passes or kicks following an aborted kick attempt), he shall be charged with a game played.

31.10.1.7 Less Than Minimum-Game Rule. If a player has participated in fewer than the required percentage of the team’s games, but the player’s per-game average still would be highest if charged with the necessary required games, the player shall be declared champion. However, no player shall be declared champion by the application of both the necessary required games and the minimums required for punting and kick-return championships (see Bylaws 31.10.4.6 and 31.10.4.7).

31.10.1.8 Statistics of Ineligible Student-Athletes

31.10.1.8.1 Declared Ineligible during Season. The individual statistics of any student-athlete declared ineligible by a member institution, a conference or the NCAA for any remaining portion of a season shall not be included in the national statistics rankings from the date the student-athlete is declared ineligible.

31.10.1.8.2 Declared Ineligible after Championships Competition. When a participant in an NCAA championship is declared ineligible after the championship competition, all of the student-athlete’s statistics in the championship, the team’s championships won-lost record and all of its statistics shall be asterisked and footnoted, and its place in the final standings shall be asterisked and noted as vacated. All team and individual statistics for the offending team’s opponents shall remain unaffected.

31.10.2 Baseball and Softball Statistics

31.10.2.1 Fall Games. For purposes of national statistics, games played during the fall shall not be included in a team’s won-lost record and statistics.

31.10.2.2 Exhibition Games. A game will be counted by both teams as an official contest for purposes of won-lost records and team and individual statistics unless both institutions agree in writing before the game that it is to be an exhibition contest. If it is an exhibition contest, the team and individual statistics and records cannot be counted for either team.

31.10.2.3 Batting Championship. The national batting championship shall be based on a minimum of 2.5 times at bat per game played for baseball and 2.0 times at bat per game played for softball, as well as a minimum total number of official at-bats established annually by the national office based on current conditions and the division involved. However, if there is a player with fewer than the required number of at-bats whose average would be the highest if the player were charged with the required number of at-bats with zero additional hits, that player shall be declared champion.

31.10.2.4 Strikeout Ratio (Strikeouts per Seven or Nine Innings). The national individual strikeout ratio champion for pitchers shall be based on at least one inning pitched for every game played by that player’s team, as well as a minimum total number of innings pitched established annually by the national office based on current conditions and the divisions involved. However, if there is a player with fewer than the required number of innings pitched whose ratio would be the highest if the player were charged with the required number of innings with zero strikeouts, that player shall be declared champion.

31.10.3 Basketball Statistics. All tournament games (e.g., holiday, postseason and conference play-offs) shall be included in the official statistics.

31.10.4 Football Statistics

31.10.4.1 Seven-Game Requirement. An institution shall be required to play at least seven games against four-year, degree-granting varsity opposition (per Bylaw 31.10.1.4) to be eligible for national statistics rankings.

31.10.4.2 Conference Championship Game. A conference game that matches two divisional winners for the purpose of determining the league championship shall be counted in statistics and won-lost records.

31.10.4.3 Bowl Games, Conference Playoffs, National Playoffs. Postseason bowl, conference playoffs that do not determine the league champion or national-championship playoff games are not considered as part of an institution's regular-season schedule. Consequently, the statistics of these games shall not be included in any team's or player's season or career records, and such statistics shall not affect single-game records. The results of such games, however, are included in a coach's career record, the team's all-time won-lost record and all team "streaks" (e.g., winning and consecutive scoring).

31.10.4.4 Overtime Games. Statistics of extra-period (overtime) games are included in the contest's total statistics.

31.10.4.5 Passing Champion. The national passing champion shall be determined by a rating formula with a minimum number of pass attempts required per game. However, if a player has fewer than the required number of pass attempts per game and his rating points still would be highest if he were charged with the necessary required pass attempts, and counting each attempt as an interception, he shall be declared champion.

31.10.4.6 Punting Champion. The national individual punting champion shall be determined by the average yards per punt with a minimum number of punts per game. However, if a player has fewer than the required number of punts per game and his average per punt still would be the highest if he were charged with the necessary required punts for zero additional yards, he shall be declared champion.

31.10.4.7 Kick-Return Champions. The national individual punt-return and kickoff-return champions shall be determined by average per return with a minimum number of returns required per game. However, if there is a player with fewer than the required minimum returns per game whose average per return would be the highest if he were charged with the necessary required returns with zero additional yards, he shall be declared the champion.

31.10.4.8 Minimum-Games Requirement. For purposes of Bylaws 31.10.4.6 and 31.10.4.7, if a player has not participated in the required 75 percent of the team's games but has the required minimum number of returns or punts per game played, he is not to be charged with the number of games necessary for qualification because it cannot be assumed that he would have maintained his average in the additional games.

31.10.5 Forfeits. Neither the outcome nor the statistics in any completed contest are reversible by a forfeit due to postgame administrative actions, except as provided in Bylaw 31.10.5.4 or by Committee on Infractions' decisions. The actual results of the contest and the statistics shall be entered as such in both teams' all-time records, as well as in the coaches' records and in individual statistics. Contests later forfeited shall be denoted by the institution with an asterisk and a footnote.

31.10.5.1 Consistency of Application. Each member institution involved in a forfeited contest is encouraged, but not required, to enter the results of the contest in its records in the same manner as the Association to prevent confusion in national rankings of team and coaching records.

31.10.5.2 "No Contest" Declaration. There is no forfeit of a contest until all participating teams are present and the referee or other appropriate contest official has assumed jurisdiction in accordance with the applicable playing rules. When a team does not appear (e.g., due to weather conditions, accidents, breakdown of vehicles, illness or catastrophic causes), a forfeit is not recorded. An institution shall not, for statistical purposes, declare a forfeit for nonfulfillment of a contract. Such instances shall be considered as "no contest." In circumstances involving institutions from the same conference, the league office has the option to declare a forfeit win and loss for conference-standings purposes only but this does not change an institution's overall won-lost record.

31.10.5.2.1 Basketball, Men's. If, under the NCAA Men's Basketball Rules Committee's interpretation regarding interrupted games, the officials do not declare a winner or loser in such a contest, the status shall be "no contest." Statistics shall not be counted, nor shall either team's won-lost record or coach's record be changed.

31.10.5.3 Contest in Progress. If a forfeit is declared while a contest is in progress or a situation occurs that forces a premature end to the contest, all statistics (other than won-lost and coach's

records) are voided, unless the contest has progressed to a “reasonable point of conclusion” (e.g., three quarters in football and lacrosse, 30 minutes in basketball and five innings in baseball and softball and two periods in ice hockey; for volleyball, all completed games in a match shall count, as well as a partial game if the team ahead has scored at least 10 points), in which case all statistics shall count and shall be reflected in all records. The team’s won-lost record shall include the forfeit, but if the statistics are voided, all averages in future rankings shall be computed without inclusion of the forfeited contests.

31.10.5.4 Actions by NCAA Management Council. An institution required to forfeit contests under the restitution provisions of Bylaw 19.8 shall vacate and strike from its records the individual records and performances achieved by the ineligible player during the period of ineligible participation in the following manner:

- (a) Team victories shall be abrogated and coaching records altered by the institution and the national office for those contests in which the player participated while ineligible;
- (b) It is not required that similar action be taken in regard to the individual records and performances of other players (teammates and opponents) who participated in contests during the period in which the player participated while ineligible;
- (c) While neither the forfeiting institution nor the national office has the authority to require opponents receiving those forfeits to alter their season records, the forfeiting institution should actively encourage its opponents to do so; and
- (d) These same conditions shall be applicable to the records of a conference. Neither the institution nor the national office has the authority to require a conference to alter its records. However, the institution should actively encourage such a result.

31.10.6 Career Records

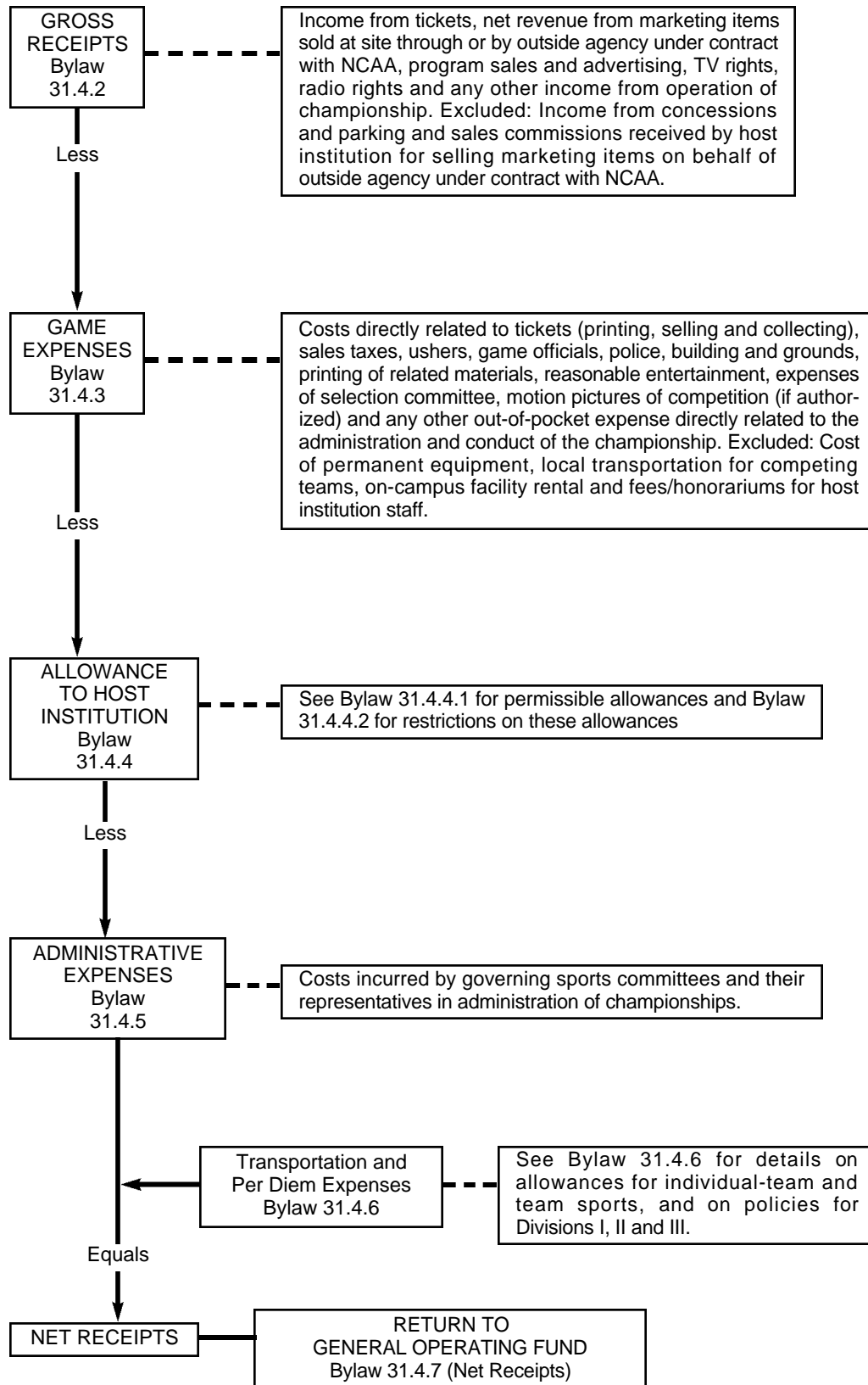
31.10.6.1 Cohead Coaches. In the event that an institution designates a cohead-coaching system, the won-lost records of both coaches for each season that they are cohead coaches are to be included in each coach’s total career record. In such instances, both coaches’ career records shall be denoted by an asterisk and a footnote [e.g., includes 40-20 record as a cohead coach with (name of other coach) during the years indicated].

31.10.6.2 Division Classification. For career record purposes, a player’s statistics are recognized by the Association only for the years that the individual’s college was an active member of the Association. In the event an individual’s college changed divisions while a member, career statistics for the individual are credited only in the division in which he or she actually competed each year.

31.10.6.3 Collegiate Record Category. In the above-mentioned case where an individual’s college changed divisions while a member, the player’s full career statistics are to be entered in the collegiate record category.

31.10.6.4 Determination of Head Coach at an Institution. In order for a coach to be credited with wins, losses or ties, that individual must be designated as the institution’s head coach for the entire sports season. Individuals serving on an advisory or preseason basis may not be credited with the wins, losses or ties. If the head coach is not present at a contest due to illness or other unexpected circumstances, or otherwise is unable to complete the sports season, it is up to the institution to determine whether the win, loss or tie for that contest(s) shall be credited to the head coach or to an interim or assistant coach, as determined by the institution before the contest(s). (*Revised: 6/15/94*)

FIGURE 31-1
Summary of the Elements in the Administration
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Enforcement Policies and Procedures

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32.1 COMMITTEE ON INFRACTIONS AND HEARING OFFICER—SPECIAL OPERATING RULES

32.1.1 Confidentiality. The Committee on Infractions, the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3, hearing officers and the enforcement staff shall treat all cases before them as confidential, until the same have been announced in accordance with the prescribed procedures. *(Revised: 1/11/94)*

32.1.2 Public Announcements. The enforcement staff shall not confirm or deny the existence of an infractions case before complete resolution of the case through normal NCAA enforcement procedures. However, if the involved institution makes a public announcement concerning a case, the enforcement staff may confirm the information made public by the institution and may correct erroneous or incomplete information about the investigation that has been made public by the institution.

32.1.3 Conflict of Interest. Any member of the Committee on Infractions or the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3 or a hearing officer who is directly connected with an institution under inquiry shall not take part in any NCAA proceedings connected with the case. In addition, Committee on Infractions members, members of the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3 or hearing officers with personal relationships or institutional affiliations that reasonably would result in the appearance of prejudice should refrain from participating in any manner in the processing of the involved institution's or individual's infractions case. It is the responsibility of the committee member, members of the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3 or a hearing officer to remove himself or herself if a conflict exists. Objections to the participation of a committee member or the appropriate appeals committee member per Bylaw 19.3 should be raised as soon as recognized, but will not be considered unless raised at least one week in advance of the affected hearing. *(Revised: 1/16/93, 1/11/94)*

See Figures 32-1 and 32-2, pages 349-350, for the processing of a typical infractions case.

32.2 PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF INFORMATION

32.2.1 Submission of Allegations. All allegations and complaints relative to a member's failure to maintain the academic or athletics standards required for membership, the member's violation of the legislation or regulations of the Association, or the member's failure otherwise to meet the conditions and obligations of membership shall be received by the committee or the Association's president and channeled to the NCAA enforcement staff.

32.2.1.1 Staff Initiation of Investigation. The enforcement staff may initiate an investigation on its own motion when it has reasonable cause to believe that a member is or has been in violation of its obligations as a member of the Association.

32.2.1.2 Self-Disclosure by an Institution. Self-disclosure shall be considered in establishing penalties, and, if an institution uncovers a violation before its being reported to the NCAA and/or its conference, such disclosure shall be considered as a mitigating factor in determining the penalty. *(Revised: 10/12/94)*

32.2.2 Investigative Guidelines. The Committee on Infractions shall provide general guidance to the enforcement staff through approved and established investigative and procedural guidelines.

Preliminary Review of Information/32.2.2.1—32.2.2.4.1

32.2.2.1 Initial Enforcement Staff Responsibilities. The enforcement staff is responsible for evaluating information reported to the NCAA office to determine whether the possible violation should be handled by correspondence with the involved institution or its conference, or whether the enforcement staff should conduct its own in-person inquiries.

32.2.2.1.1 Basic Information Gathering. The enforcement staff has a responsibility to engage in basic information gathering and, in doing so, may contact individuals to solicit information concerning possible violations.

32.2.2.1.2 Matters Handled by Correspondence. Matters that clearly are isolated and of relative insignificance should be handled promptly by correspondence with the involved institution.

32.2.2.1.3 Investigation Decision. When reasonably reliable information has been obtained indicating that a violation has occurred and that the violation appears to indicate intentional wrongdoing, a significant competitive advantage, or that false or misleading information has been reported to the involved institution or to the NCAA, the matter should be assigned to an enforcement representative for investigation.

32.2.2.1.4 Timely Process. The enforcement staff shall make reasonable efforts to process infractions matters in a timely manner.

32.2.2.1.5 Consultation with Committee. If questions arise concerning investigative procedures during the course of an investigation, the chair (or the full committee, if necessary) may be consulted by the enforcement staff.

32.2.2.2 Identification of Major/Secondary Violation. On review of information developed by the enforcement staff or self-reported by the member institution, the enforcement staff shall identify the charges as involving alleged major or secondary violations (as defined in Bylaw 19.02.2), subject to approval by the chair or another member of the Committee on Infractions designated by the chair.

32.2.2.3 Preliminary Inquiry. The enforcement staff, so far as practicable, shall make a thorough investigation of all charges that are received from responsible sources and that are reasonably substantial. The enforcement staff may conduct a preliminary inquiry for a reasonable period of time to determine whether there is adequate evidence to warrant an official inquiry, and in conducting this inquiry, the services of an enforcement representative may be used.

32.2.2.4 Notice to Institution. The enforcement staff shall submit a letter to the chief executive officer to notify a member institution of preliminary inquiries into its athletics policies and practices when information has been developed to indicate that violations of the Association's governing legislation may have occurred that will require further in-person investigation. Such a letter shall advise the chief executive officer that the enforcement staff will be undertaking a preliminary investigation, that the investigation will be conducted under the direction of the vice-president for enforcement services and that members of the enforcement staff wish to meet with the chief executive officer to discuss the nature of the investigation and to deliver a more complete notice of preliminary inquiry in person. The notice shall state that in the event the allegations appear to be of a substantial nature, an official inquiry may be filed in accordance with the provisions of Bylaw 32.5 or, in the alternative, the institution will be notified that the matter has been closed. Whenever possible, the notice also shall contain the following information regarding the nature of the potential violations: *(Revised: 1/16/93)*

- (a) The involved sport; *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*
- (b) The approximate time period during which the alleged violations occurred; *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*
- (c) The identity of involved individuals; *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*
- (d) An approximate time frame for the investigation; *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*
- (e) A statement indicating that the institution and involved individuals may be represented by legal counsel at all stages of the proceedings; *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*
- (f) A statement requesting that individuals associated with the institution not discuss the case before interviews by the enforcement staff and institution except for reasonable campus communications not intended to impede the investigation of the allegations and except for consultation with legal counsel; *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*
- (g) A statement indicating that other facts may be developed during the course of the investigation that may relate to additional violations; and *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*
- (h) A statement regarding the obligation of the institution to cooperate in the case. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

32.2.2.4.1 Status Notification within Six Months. During the period of the preliminary inquiry, the enforcement staff shall inform the involved institution of the general status of the inquiry not later than six months after the institution's chief executive officer receives the notice of preliminary inquiry from the enforcement staff representatives. *(Revised: 1/16/93)*

32.2.2.4.2 Review after One Year. If the inquiry has not been processed to conclusion within one year of the date that the institution's chief executive officer receives the notice of preliminary inquiry from enforcement staff representatives, the enforcement staff shall review the status of the case with the Committee on Infractions. The committee shall determine whether further investigation is warranted, and its decision shall be forwarded to the involved institution in writing. If the investigation is continued, additional status reports shall be provided to the institution in writing at least every six months thereafter, until the matter is concluded. (*Revised: 1/16/93*)

32.2.2.5 Conflict of Interest. Any enforcement staff member with a personal relationship or institutional affiliation that reasonably would result in the appearance of prejudice should refrain from participating in any manner in the processing of the involved institution's or individual's infractions case. (*Adopted: 1/16/93*)

32.3 INVESTIGATIVE PROCEDURES

32.3.1 Conformance with Procedures. Investigations by the enforcement staff shall be conducted in accordance with the operating policies, procedures and investigative guidelines established by the Committee on Infractions, Management Council and membership in accordance with Bylaw 19.

32.3.2 Coordination with Member Conference. The enforcement staff shall attempt to coordinate the processing of infractions cases with the involved member conference unless it would hinder the development of the NCAA investigation to do so.

32.3.3 Interviews with Member Institution. The athletics director or other appropriate official of an institution shall be contacted by the enforcement staff in order to schedule interviews on the institution's campus with enrolled student-athletes or with coaching staff members who are involved in possible violations at the institution.

32.3.3.1 Presence of Institutional Representative during Interview. If an interview with an enrolled student-athlete or athletics department staff member is conducted on the campus of a member institution, an institutional representative (as designated by the institution) will be permitted to be present during the interview, provided the subject matter to be discussed in the interview relates directly to the individual's institution or could affect the individual's eligibility or employment at the institution. If the investigator wishes to discuss information with a student-athlete that is related solely to institutions other than the one in which the student-athlete is enrolled and that would not affect the student's eligibility, the institutional representative shall not be present during that portion of the interview. In such a situation (after the institutional representative has departed), any information inadvertently reported by the student-athlete that is related to his or her own institution shall not be used against the student-athlete or that institution.

32.3.3.2 Conflict with Academic Schedule. If possible, such interviews should be conducted without disrupting the normally scheduled academic activities of the student-athlete.

32.3.4 Proper Identification of NCAA Staff Member. In no case shall an enforcement staff member misrepresent the staff member's identity or title.

32.3.5 Representation by Legal Counsel. When an enforcement staff member conducts an interview that may develop information detrimental to the interests of the individual being questioned, that individual may be represented by personal legal counsel throughout the interview.

32.3.6 Disclosure of Purpose of Interview. When an enforcement representative requests information that could be detrimental to the interests of the student-athlete or institutional employee being interviewed, that individual shall be advised that the purpose of the interview is to determine whether the individual has been involved directly or indirectly in any violation of NCAA legislation. Before alleging that a student-athlete or staff member has violated NCAA ethical-conduct legislation, the individual shall be advised that such an allegation may be forthcoming based upon the individual's:

- (a) Involvement in violations;
- (b) Refusal to furnish information relevant to investigation of a possible violation when requested by the NCAA or by the institution; or
- (c) Provision of false or misleading information to the NCAA, conference or institution concerning the individual's knowledge of or involvement in a violation.

32.3.7 Limited Immunity. At the request of the enforcement staff, the committee may grant limited immunity to a student-athlete who provides information when such individual otherwise might be declared ineligible for intercollegiate competition based on the information that he or she reports and an institutional employee with responsibilities related to athletics when such an individual otherwise would be subject to disciplinary action as described in Bylaws 19.6.1-(c) and 19.6.2.2-(l) based on the information that individual reports. Such immunity shall not apply to the individual's involvement in violations of NCAA regulations not reported or to future involvement in violations of NCAA legislation by the individ-

ual. In any case, such immunity shall not be granted unless the individual voluntarily provides information not otherwise available to the enforcement staff when no previous information has been developed that would jeopardize the individual. The granting of limited immunity does not exempt an individual from any action that an institution imposes. *(Revised: 10/12/94)*

32.3.8 Recording of Interview Proceedings. Whenever possible, interviews conducted by the enforcement staff shall be recorded through the use of a mechanical device and both the enforcement staff and the individual being interviewed may record the interview. The individual may receive a copy of the recording at minimal cost. *(Revised: 8/2/91, 10/12/94)*

32.3.8.1 Institutional Recording of an Interview. Interviews conducted in accordance with Bylaw 32.3.3.1 or jointly with the enforcement staff at any location, may be recorded by the institution under inquiry. Institutional recordings of NCAA interviews under any other circumstances must be approved by the Committee on Infractions. *(Adopted: 10/12/94)*

32.3.8.2 Statement of Confidentiality. Individuals and institutional representatives shall be required to agree not to release tape recordings or interview transcripts to a third party. A statement of confidentiality shall be signed or recorded before an interview. Failure to enter into such an agreement would preclude the individual or institutional representative from recording or transcribing the interview. *(Adopted: 10/12/94, Revised: 1/6/96)*

32.3.8.3 Handwritten Notes. It shall be permissible for all individuals involved in interviews conducted by the enforcement staff to take handwritten notes of the proceedings. *(Revised: 10/12/94)*

32.3.8.4 Use of Court Reporters. Institutional representatives or individuals being interviewed may use a court reporter to transcribe and interview subject to the following conditions. The institution or individual shall: *(Adopted: 1/6/96)*

- (a) Pay the court reporter's fees;
- (b) Provide a copy of the transcript to the enforcement staff at no charge; and
- (c) Agree that the confidentiality standards of Bylaw 32.3.8.2 apply.

An institutional representative or individual who chooses to use a court reporter shall submit a written notice of agreement with the required conditions to the enforcement staff before the interview on a form approved by the Committee on Infractions. If the enforcement staff chooses to use a court reporter, the NCAA will pay all costs of the reporter. A copy of the transcript prepared by the court reporter for the enforcement staff shall be made available to the institution and the affected involved individuals at the NCAA offices or at a custodial site as provided for in Bylaw 32.5.4. *(Adopted: 1/6/96)*

32.3.9 Verification of and Access to Reports. Whenever possible, individuals who have reported to the enforcement staff information that will be used in an infractions case should be given the opportunity to review the information set forth in the investigator's report of the interview and be provided the opportunity to make additions or corrections. Copies of these reports and any report or transcript prepared by the enforcement staff are confidential and shall not be provided to individuals (or their institutions) who may be involved in reporting information during the processing of an infractions case. The reports and all other pertinent information shall be retained on file in the NCAA national office. Such information that will be used in the presentation of the case may be reviewed in the national office or at the site of a custodial agent in accordance with the provisions of Bylaw 32.5.4. *(Revised: 1/6/96)*

32.3.10 Corroboration or Refutation of Information. The enforcement staff shall attempt to develop any information that would corroborate or refute alleged violations of NCAA legislation reported in previous interviews.

32.3.11 Failure to Cooperate. In the event that a representative of a member institution refuses to submit relevant information to the committee or the enforcement staff on request, an official inquiry may be filed with the institution alleging a violation of the cooperative principles of the NCAA bylaws and enforcement procedures. Institutional representatives may be requested to appear before the committee at the time the allegation is considered.

32.3.12 Termination of Investigation. The enforcement staff shall terminate the investigation related to any preliminary inquiry in which information is developed that does not appear to be of sufficient substance or reliability to warrant an official inquiry, it being understood that the committee shall review each such decision.

32.3.13 Authorization of Meeting with Chief Executive Officer. The committee may authorize an enforcement staff member to meet personally with the chief executive officer or a designated representative of the involved institution to discuss the allegations investigated and information developed by the NCAA in a case that has been terminated.

32.4 PROCESSING INFORMATION FOR SECONDARY VIOLATIONS

32.4.1 Review of Institutional or Conference Actions or Penalties In Secondary Cases. If the Committee on Infractions or the enforcement staff, after review of institutional or conference action taken in connection with a rules infraction in secondary cases, concludes that the corrective or punitive action taken by the institution or conference is representative of and consistent with NCAA policies and principles, the committee or the enforcement staff, subject to approval by the chair or another member of the Committee on Infractions designated by the chair, may exercise the discretion to take no further action. *(Revised: 10/12/94)*

32.4.1.1 Sufficient Actions. Institutional or conference actions that are accepted by the NCAA as sufficient in secondary cases will be announced in The NCAA News in summary fashion only. If the NCAA adopts (rather than accepts) a penalty and reserves jurisdiction to ensure that the actions are implemented fully, such adopted penalties will be publicly announced. *(Revised: 10/12/94)*

32.4.1.2 Insufficient Actions. If the institutional or conference actions appear to be insufficient, the enforcement staff shall notify the institution of the proposed additional penalties in a secondary case (after review with a committee member) or shall process as a major case. *(Revised: 10/12/94)*

32.4.2 Action Taken by Enforcement Staff (Not Institution or Conference). If the enforcement staff, after consideration of the information that has been developed and after consulting with the member institution involved, determines that a secondary violation has occurred, the enforcement staff, on approval by the chair or another member of the Committee on Infractions designated by the chair, may determine that no penalty is warranted or, if appropriate, require one or more of the alternatives set forth in Bylaw 19.6.1.

32.4.2.1 Report to Committee. Any action taken by the enforcement staff, on approval by the chair or another member of the Committee on Infractions designated by the chair, either not to impose a penalty when a violation has occurred or to take disciplinary action that is not appealed by the institution, will be reported to the Committee on Infractions.

32.4.2.2 Publication in The NCAA News. Such disciplinary or corrective actions taken by the enforcement staff or by the Committee on Infractions in cases involving secondary violations shall be published in The NCAA News.

32.5 OFFICIAL INQUIRY

32.5.1 Letter to Chief Executive Officer. If the enforcement staff determines that an allegation or complaint warrants an official inquiry, the staff shall determine its scope and thrust and direct a letter to the chief executive officer of the member involved (with copies to the faculty athletics representative and the athletics director of the member and to the executive officer of the conference of which the institution is a member), fully informing the chief executive of the matter under inquiry and requesting cooperation to the end that the facts may be discovered.

32.5.1.1 Request for Disclosure/Appearance. By this letter, the chief executive officer of the member involved shall be requested to disclose all relevant information, and the letter may require the appearance of the chief executive or a designated representative before the committee at a time and place that are mutually convenient, if such appearance is deemed necessary. If a member declines to meet with the committee after having been requested to do so, the member shall not have the right to appeal either the committee's findings of facts and violations or the resultant penalty.

32.5.1.2 Identification of Allegations. An official inquiry shall include a statement of the NCAA regulations alleged to have been violated, as well as the details of each allegation that in the judgment of the enforcement staff can be supported by sufficient information to reasonably expect that the Committee on Infractions will find the violation to have occurred.

32.5.1.3 Identification of Individuals/Regulations. The enforcement staff shall provide to the institution the identity of all individuals on whom the staff intends to rely in presenting the case. Additional individuals or additional regulations that are identified after the submission of an official inquiry also shall be reported to the institution promptly and, in all cases, before the institution's appearance before the committee in accordance with Bylaw 32.5.11.

32.5.2 Statute of Limitations. Allegations included in a letter of official inquiry shall be limited to possible violations occurring not earlier than four years before the date the notice of preliminary inquiry is forwarded to the institution or the date the institution notifies (or, if earlier, should have notified) the enforcement staff of its inquiries into the matter. However, the following shall not be subject to the four-year limitation: *(Revised: 10/12/94)*

- (a) Allegations involving violations affecting the eligibility of a current student-athlete;
- (b) Allegations in a case in which information is developed to indicate a pattern of willful violations on the

part of the institution or individual involved, which began before but continued into the four-year period; and

- (c) Allegations that indicate a blatant disregard for the Association's fundamental recruiting, extra-benefit, academic or ethical-conduct regulations or that involve an effort to conceal the occurrence of the violation. In such cases, the enforcement staff shall have a one-year period after the date information concerning the matter becomes available to the NCAA to investigate and submit to the institution an official inquiry concerning the matter.

32.5.3 Availability of Primary Investigator. After the filing of an official inquiry in an infractions case, the primary investigator in the case shall be available to assist the involved institution for purposes such as meeting with the institution to discuss the development of its response and assisting in locating various principals in the case.

32.5.4 Disclosure of Information. Within 30 days following the filing of an official inquiry in an infractions case, the enforcement staff shall make available to the member institution and to the involved individuals reasonable access to all pertinent evidentiary materials, including tape recordings of interviews and documents, on which the inquiry is based. Requests for access to such evidentiary materials shall be delivered to the enforcement staff. The staff shall be responsible for maintaining custody of all of the evidentiary materials. The staff shall provide access to these materials at the NCAA national office or at custodial sites reasonably near the involved institution or the involved individuals. If information is developed after the 30-day period, the enforcement staff shall notify the involved institution and involved individuals of its availability. The same procedure for requesting access to these materials shall be followed. (*Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 10/12/94*)

32.5.5 Determination of Meeting Date. The Committee on Infractions shall set the dates and times for all hearings before the committee. Reasonable effort will be made to schedule the hearings at convenient times and places for the involved institutions and individuals. The committee shall notify all relevant parties of the hearing date and site. (*Revised: 1/16/93, 10/12/94*)

32.5.6 Contents of Official Inquiry Cover Letter. The cover letter accompanying each official inquiry shall contain notification that the institution is requested to:

- (a) Read each allegation involving a present or former institutional staff member, or a prospective, present or former student-athlete whose eligibility could be affected based on involvement in the alleged violation, to the identified individual;
- (b) Provide that individual the opportunity to submit in writing and orally any information the individual desires that is relevant to the allegation in question; and
- (c) Notify the individual in person, as well as in writing, that the individual and personal legal counsel (if any) may appear before the committee at the time it considers each allegation in which the individual is involved.

32.5.7 Notification of Others in Potential Jeopardy. The enforcement staff shall notify athletics department staff members and student-athletes at institutions other than the one under inquiry, whose employment or eligibility could be affected, of the allegations in which they are named. A copy of such notification shall be forwarded to the chief executive officer of the institution that employs the staff member or in which the student is enrolled. All such individuals may submit responses to the Committee on Infractions, and the institution under inquiry shall provide a copy of pertinent portions of its response to each individual who will attend the committee's hearing in the case.

32.5.8 Notice of Hearing Procedures. The cover letter accompanying each official inquiry shall contain a specific reference to Bylaw 32.7 (which describes the general procedures to be followed during a hearing), as well as notice in extensive cases that the primary NCAA investigator in the case is available to assist the institution in its investigation of the allegations in the official inquiry.

32.5.9 Obligation to Provide Full Information. A member that is subject to official inquiry shall collect all information available to it concerning the allegations set forth in the inquiry. At any appearance before the committee, the member and the enforcement staff shall have the obligation of providing full information concerning each allegation (i.e., information that would corroborate or refute each allegation).

32.5.10 Deadline for Institutional Response. The institution's response to the official inquiry shall be on file with members of the committee and the enforcement department within 90 days of the institution's receipt of the inquiry, unless the committee grants an extension. An institution may not submit additional documentary evidence (in addition to its initial response) at that meeting without prior authorization from the committee. (*Revised: 1/16/93*)

32.5.11 Prehearing Conference. Within 30 days of an institution's submission of its written response to an official inquiry, in a case involving an alleged major violation, the enforcement staff shall consult with institutional representatives and other involved individuals in order to clarify the issues to be discussed in the case during the hearing, make suggestions regarding additional investigation or interviews

that should be conducted by the institution to supplement its response and identify allegations that the staff intends to withdraw. *(Revised: 1/16/93, 10/12/94)*

32.5.11.1 Extension. The committee may approve additional time for representatives of the involved individuals and institution and the enforcement staff to conduct such prehearing conferences. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

32.5.12 NCAA Summary Case Statement. Not later than 14 days before the date of the institution's appearance, the enforcement staff shall prepare a summary statement of the case that indicates the status of each allegation and identifies the individuals on whom and the information on which the staff will rely in presenting the case. This summary shall be provided to the members of the Committee on Infractions and to representatives of the institution and involved individuals before the hearing. The committee may waive this 14-day period for good cause shown. *(Adopted: 10/12/94)*

32.6 SUMMARY DISPOSITION AND EXPEDITED HEARING

32.6.1 Summary-Disposition Election. In major infractions cases involving member institutions that are not subject to the provisions of Bylaw 19.6.2.3, the member institution and involved individuals may elect to process the case through the summary-disposition procedures specified below. *(Adopted: 1/16/93, Revised: 4/13/99)*

32.6.1.1 Thorough Investigation. The Committee on Infractions shall determine that a thorough investigation of possible violations of NCAA legislation has been conducted. The investigation may be conducted by the NCAA enforcement staff and/or the institution, but the enforcement staff must agree that a complete and thorough investigation has been conducted and that the institution fully cooperated in the process. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

32.6.1.2 Written Report. The institution, involved individuals and the NCAA enforcement staff shall submit a written report setting forth: *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

- (a) The proposed findings of fact;
- (b) A summary of information on which the findings are based;
- (c) A stipulation that the proposed findings are substantially correct;
- (d) The findings that are violations of NCAA legislation; and
- (e) A statement of unresolved issues that are not considered substantial enough to affect the outcome of the case.

32.6.1.3 Proposed Penalties. The institution and involved individuals shall submit proposed penalties within the guidelines set forth in the penalty structure for major violations specified in Bylaw 19.6.2. The institution and involved individuals also may submit a statement regarding mitigating factors. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

32.6.1.4 Committee on Infractions Review. The Committee on Infractions shall consider the case during its next scheduled meeting. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

32.6.1.4.1 Approval of Findings and Penalties. If the agreed-on findings and proposed penalties are approved, the committee shall prepare a written report, forward it to the institution and involved individuals, and publicly announce the resolution of the case under the provisions of Bylaw 32.9. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

32.6.1.4.2 Findings Not Approved. If the committee does not approve the findings, the hearing process set forth in Bylaw 32.7 shall be followed. At the conclusion of the hearing process, the committee shall prepare a written report, forward it to the institution and involved individuals, and publicly announce the resolution of the case under the provisions of Bylaw 32.9. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

32.6.1.4.3 Penalties Not Approved. If the committee accepts the agreed-on findings but does not approve the proposed penalties, the institution and involved individuals may elect to participate in an expedited hearing. Expedited hearings shall be conducted based on the findings submitted, and the institution and involved individuals may present additional information regarding the uniqueness of the case and mitigating factors. If the institution or the involved individuals decline to participate in an expedited hearing, a hearing regarding the alleged violations shall be conducted under the provisions of Bylaw 32.7. At the conclusion of the hearing process, the committee shall prepare a written report, forward it to the institution and involved individuals, and publicly announce the resolution of the case under the provisions of Bylaw 32.9. *(Adopted: 1/16/93)*

32.7 COMMITTEE ON INFRACTIONS HEARINGS

32.7.1 Limitations on Presentation of Staff Evidence. In major cases requiring an institutional

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hearing before the committee, specific information and evidence developed by the staff related to alleged violations of NCAA regulations shall not be presented to the committee before the institution's appearance, except as provided in these procedures.

32.7.2 Opportunity to Appear before the Committee. A member that is subject to official inquiry shall be given, on its request, the opportunity to have representatives appear before the committee. Also, an institution may request the opportunity to appear before the committee to appeal findings and penalties that have been proposed by the enforcement staff in secondary cases.

32.7.2.1 Review Based on Written Record. When the enforcement staff does not request that an institution be represented in person before the committee, the institution may choose to have the matter in question reviewed on the basis of the written record before the committee.

32.7.3 Notification of Hearing Procedures. An institution shall be advised in writing before its appearance before the committee of the general procedures to be followed during the hearing. Such notification shall contain a specific reference to Bylaw 32.7 and shall indicate that, as a general rule, the discussion during the hearing will use the numbering of the allegations in the official inquiry.

32.7.4 Appearance of Individuals at Hearings

32.7.4.1 Request for Specific Individuals. Institutional officials, staff members or enrolled student-athletes who are specifically requested to appear before the committee at an institutional hearing are expected to appear in person and may be accompanied by personal legal counsel. The committee also may request that former institutional staff members appear at a hearing. Such individuals also are expected to appear in person and may be accompanied by personal legal counsel.

32.7.4.2 Attendance at Hearings. At the time the institution appears before the committee, its representatives may include officials of the institution, the institution's legal counsel, the individuals identified in Bylaws 32.5.6 and 32.5.7 and other enrolled student-athletes whose eligibility could be affected by information developed by the institution in conjunction with preparation of its response to an official inquiry. In any major case, such representatives should include the institution's chief executive officer or a designated representative outside the athletics department, as well as the head coach of the sport in question. An individual who appears before the committee may appear with personal legal counsel, and no additional individuals may be included among the institution's representatives during an institutional hearing unless specifically requested to be present by the committee. In accordance with Bylaw 32.7.4.1, the committee may request that other individuals be present during the hearing.

32.7.4.3 Exclusion of Individuals from Hearing

32.7.4.3.1 Exclusions Requested by the Institution. The institution may request that an individual be excluded from certain portions of the hearing, subject to approval by the committee. When an individual is excluded from the hearing room for a period of time, it shall be with the understanding that matters discussed in the hearing during that time will not relate to that individual.

32.7.4.3.2 Limited Attendance of Student-Athletes. Any student-athlete (and personal legal counsel) included among the institution's representatives may attend the hearing only during the discussion of the allegations in which the student-athlete is involved.

32.7.4.4 Representation of Member Conference. The executive officer or other representative of a member conference's executive office may attend an institutional hearing involving a conference member, subject to approval of the involved institution.

32.7.4.5 Prohibited Attendee. A member of the committee or the Infractions Appeals Committee who is prohibited under the provisions of Bylaw 32.1.3 from participating in any NCAA proceedings may not attend a Committee on Infractions hearing involving the member's institution unless specifically requested by the committee to be present as a witness.

32.7.4.6 Designation of Presentation Coordinators. The chair shall request each institution appearing before the committee to select one person to coordinate institutional responses during the hearing. In addition, one individual from the enforcement staff will be responsible for coordinating the presentation of the enforcement staff.

32.7.5 Hearing Procedures. The exact procedure to be followed in the conduct of the hearing will be determined by the committee.

32.7.5.1 Case Summary. The summary case statement required by Bylaw 32.5.12 shall be distributed to individuals in attendance as an aid in following the discussion of each allegation during the hearing. Individuals who attend only a portion of the hearing will receive only those parts of the case summary that are relevant to their participation in the hearing. (*Revised: 10/18/89*)

32.7.5.2 Opening and Closing Statements. At the outset of the hearing, a representative of the institution shall make an opening statement, followed by an opening statement by a representative of the enforcement staff. The contents of such a statement should not relate to the substance of the specific

items contained in the official inquiry. Statements concerning the nature or theory of the case are encouraged. An institutional representative also may make a closing statement at the conclusion of the hearing, followed by a closing statement by a representative of the enforcement staff.

32.7.5.3 Staff Presentation. During the hearing, the enforcement staff first shall present the information that its investigation has developed.

32.7.5.4 Institutional Presentation. The member institution then will present its explanation of the alleged violations and questionable practices and any other arguments or information that it deems appropriate in the committee's consideration of the case.

32.7.5.5 Type of Information. Any oral or documentary information may be received, but the committee may exclude information that it determines to be irrelevant, immaterial or unduly repetitious.

32.7.5.5.1 Information from Confidential Sources. In presenting information and evidence for consideration by the committee during an institutional hearing, the enforcement staff shall present only information that can be attributed to individuals who are willing to be identified. Information obtained from individuals not wishing to be identified shall not be relied on by the committee in making findings of violations. Such confidential sources shall not be identified to either the Committee on Infractions or the institution.

32.7.5.5.2 Information Concerning Mitigating Factors. Institutional, conference and enforcement staff representatives are encouraged to present all relevant information concerning mitigating or other factors that should be considered in arriving at appropriate penalties.

32.7.5.6 Scope of Inquiry. If a member institution appears before the committee to discuss its response to the official inquiry, the hearing shall be directed toward the general scope of the official inquiry but shall not preclude the committee from finding any violation resulting from information developed or discussed during the hearing.

32.7.5.7 Committee Questioning. The committee, at the discretion of any of its members, shall question representatives of the member institution or the enforcement staff, as well as any other persons appearing before it, in order to determine the facts of the case. Further, under the direction of the committee, questions and information may be exchanged between and among all parties participating in the hearing.

32.7.5.8 Recording of Proceedings. The proceedings of institutional hearings shall be recorded by a court reporter (unless otherwise agreed) and shall be tape-recorded by the committee. No additional verbatim recording of these proceedings will be permitted by the committee. The Committee on Infractions shall maintain custody of the tape recordings and any transcriptions. Reasonable access to review the tape recordings shall be provided at the NCAA national office or at custodial sites reasonably near the institution and involved individuals. In the event a transcription is necessary for use in an appeal, the relevant material shall be reproduced at the direction of the Committee on Infractions for submission to the appellate body and for review at the NCAA national office or at custodial sites reasonably near the institution and involved individuals. If an appeal is not sustained, the institution or individuals who file the appeal shall be responsible for the cost of the transcription, as well as the cost related to the use of the appropriate custodial office; except that the involved institution or individuals may be granted a waiver of responsibility for such costs by the Committee on Infractions. *(Revised: 1/16/93)*

32.7.6 Posthearing Committee Deliberations. After all presentations have been made and the hearing has been concluded, the committee shall excuse all others from the hearing, and the committee shall make its determinations of fact and violation in private.

32.7.6.1 Request for New Information. In arriving at its determinations, the committee may request additional information from any appropriate source, including the member institution or the enforcement staff. In the event that new information is requested from either the institution or the enforcement staff to assist the committee in arriving at findings of violations, both parties will be afforded an opportunity to be represented at the time such information is provided to the committee.

32.7.6.2 Basis of Findings. The committee shall base its findings on information presented to it that it determines to be credible, persuasive and of a kind on which reasonably prudent persons rely in the conduct of serious affairs.

32.7.6.3 Imposition of Penalty. If the committee determines that there has been a violation or questionable practice, it shall impose an appropriate penalty (see Bylaw 19.6); or it may recommend to the Management Council suspension or termination of membership in an appropriate case.

32.7.6.4 Quorum and Voting Requirements. Three members present and voting shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of committee business. The finding of a violation or the imposition of a penalty or recommended action shall be by majority vote of the members of the committee present and voting. *(Revised: 10/12/94, 1/10/98)*

32.8 HEARINGS BEFORE AN INDEPENDENT HEARING OFFICER

32.8.1 Committee Referral. When the Committee on Infractions determines that an independent hearing officer should be utilized (per Bylaw 19.2.2), the committee will refer to the hearing officer all appropriate factual allegations for consideration. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

32.8.2 Hearing Procedures. When assigned allegations for consideration, a hearing officer shall promptly schedule a hearing that shall be conducted in accordance with enforcement procedures applicable to Committee on Infractions hearings (see Bylaw 32.7). (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

32.8.3 Notification of Findings. After the hearing, the hearing officer shall report findings of fact in writing to the Committee on Infractions and the parties who participated in the hearing within 30 days after the conclusion of the hearing or, if later, within 30 days after the filing of any posthearing written materials requested by the hearing officer. (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

32.8.4 Findings Set Aside. A finding arrived at by a hearing officer shall not be set aside by the Committee on Infractions except on a determination that: (*Adopted: 1/11/94*)

- (a) The hearing officer's finding clearly is contrary to the evidence presented to the hearing officer;
- (b) The facts found by the hearing officer do not constitute a violation of the Association's rules; or
- (c) A procedural error affected the reliability of the infraction that was used to support the hearing officer's finding.

32.9 NOTIFICATION OF COMMITTEE ACTION

32.9.1 Infractions Report. The committee, without prior public announcement, shall be obligated to submit promptly an infractions report, which sets forth its findings and penalty to be imposed, to the chief executive officer of the member institution (with copies to those individuals receiving copies of the official inquiry) that has been subject to the official inquiry. The following procedures shall apply to the infractions report:

- (a) After an institutional hearing, the Committee on Infractions shall prepare and approve the final infractions report; (*Revised: 10/12/94*)
- (b) The infractions report(s) of the Committee on Infractions and the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3 shall contain a consolidated statement of all penalties, corrective actions, requirements, and other conditions and obligations of membership imposed on a member institution found in violation of NCAA legislation. The statement of such actions shall include, but not be limited to, the penalties imposed upon the institution, eligibility rules to be applied, applicable executive regulations, the adjustment of individual and team standings in NCAA championship events, and the request for the return of any awards and net receipts received for participation in an NCAA championship; and (*Revised: 10/12/94*)
- (c) The committee's infractions report shall be sent to the chief executive officer of the involved institution and any involved individuals under the chair's signature or under the signature of a committee member selected to act for the chair. The report shall be sent by overnight mail service, and the committee's administrator shall confirm receipt by the institution and involved individuals in order that the 15-day appeal period applicable to this report may be established. (*Revised: 10/12/94*)

32.9.2 Release to Media. Once the infractions report has been received by the institution, the report, with names of individuals deleted, shall be made available to the national wire services and other media outlets.

32.9.2.1 Public Comment before Release. The committee's public announcement related to an infractions case shall be made available to the national wire services and other media outlets. In this regard, the involved institution shall be advised of the text of the announcement before its release and shall be requested not to comment publicly concerning the case before the time the NCAA's public announcement is released.

32.9.2.2 Public Announcement and Comment at Release. The chair or a member of the Committee on Infractions shall make the committee's public announcement related to major infractions when the committee determines that an announcement is warranted in addition to distribution of the written report. (*Adopted: 1/16/93*)

32.10 APPEAL PROCEDURE

32.10.1 Written Notice of Appeal. To be considered by the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3, the member institution's written notice of appeal of the Committee on Infractions' findings (subject to the conditions of Bylaw 32.10.2) or the penalty, or both, shall be received by the NCAA president not later than 15 calendar days from the date of the public release of the committee's report. The member's

notice of appeal shall contain a statement of the date of the public release of the committee's report and a statement indicating whether the institution desires to submit its appeal in writing only or whether the institution will be represented before the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3 at the time the appeal is considered. *(Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95, 4/26/95)*

32.10.2 Bases for Granting an Appeal. A penalty determined by the Committee on Infractions may be set aside on appeal, if the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3 determines that the penalty is excessive or inappropriate based on all the evidence and circumstances. Determinations of fact and violations arrived at by the Committee on Infractions shall not be set aside on appeal, except on a showing that: *(Revised: 1/10/95)*

- (a) The committee's finding clearly is contrary to the evidence presented to the committee;
- (b) The facts found by the committee do not constitute a violation of the Association's rules; or
- (c) A procedural error affected the reliability of the information that was used to support the committee's finding.

32.10.3 Appeal by an Individual Staff Member. Any current or former institutional staff member who participates in a hearing before the Committee on Infractions and is involved in a finding of a violation and who exercises the opportunity to appeal any of the findings in question (subject to the conditions of Bylaw 32.10.2) must submit a written notice of appeal to the NCAA president not later than 15 calendar days from the date of the public release of the committee's report. The individual and personal legal counsel may appear before the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3 at the time it considers the pertinent findings. The institution shall be requested to notify its current staff members, and the enforcement staff will notify all other individuals directly of the appeal opportunity. *(Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95, 4/26/95, 1/6/96)*

32.10.4 Report to Infractions Appeals Committee. The committee shall forward a report of the case to the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3 at the time of public announcement. *(Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95)*

32.10.5 Committee on Infractions' Response to an Appeal. The Committee on Infractions shall submit a response to the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3 on each case that has been appealed. This response shall be in the form of an expanded infractions report, which will include: *(Revised: 1/16/93, 10/12/94)*

- (a) The violations of the NCAA Constitution and bylaws, as determined by the committee; *(Revised: 10/12/94)*
- (b) A statement of the committee's proposed penalties;
- (c) A statement of the origin of the case;
- (d) Related factors appropriate for consideration in judgment of the case;
- (e) Disciplinary or corrective actions taken by the institution or conference or any other agency involved in the particular incident;
- (f) If appropriate, any additional information that was presented to the committee during its consideration of the case that the Committee on Infractions deems to be relevant to the consideration of the appeal; and *(Adopted: 10/12/94)*
- (g) An attachment to the response will be a transcript of any hearing conducted by the Committee on Infractions. *(Adopted: 10/12/94)*

32.10.6 Expanded Infractions Report to Institution and Media. A copy of the Committee on Infractions' expanded infractions report to the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3, (as described in Bylaw 32.10.5) shall be provided to the institution before the time of its appearance before the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3. Any press release regarding the expanded report shall meet the requirements of Bylaw 32.9.2. *(Revised: 10/18/89, 1/16/93, 4/20/94, 1/10/95)*

32.10.7 New Evidence. If an institution (or involved party) appeals findings of major violations or penalties, a showing of new evidence directly related to the findings in the case that is discovered during the appeals process shall be referred back to the Committee on Infractions for its review (see Bylaw 19.02.3). *(Adopted: 1/6/96)*

32.11 APPEAL HEARINGS

32.11.1 Hearing Procedures. In its appeal to the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3, the member institution may challenge the Committee on Infractions' findings of fact or penalties, or both, according to the following hearing procedures: *(Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95)*

- (a) If the institution elects to be represented in person before the appropriate appeals committee per

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Bylaw 19.3, the institution shall be permitted a reasonable time to make its oral presentation to supplement the institution's written appeal. The chair or another member of the Committee on Infractions then shall be permitted a reasonable time to present orally the committee's report. The period of time for the presentation by the institution and the Committee on Infractions shall be left to the discretion of the chair of the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3; (*Revised: 1/10/95*)

- (b) If the member institution elects to appeal in writing only, the Committee on Infractions' written report shall be considered without an appearance by a committee representative; and
- (c) The appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3 then shall act on the member's appeal, by majority vote of the members of the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3 present and voting, and may accept the Committee on Infractions' findings and penalty or alter either one or both. (*Revised: 8/2/91, 1/10/95, 1/6/96*)

32.11.2 Consideration by Infractions Appeals Committee or Management Council. The appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3 shall consider the statements and evidence presented and, at the discretion of any of its members, may question representatives of the member institution or the Committee on Infractions, as well as any other persons appearing before it, in order to determine the facts related to the appeal. Further, under the direction of the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3, questions and information may be exchanged between and among all parties participating in the hearing. (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95*)

32.11.3 Infractions Appeals Committee/Management Council—Determination of Hearing Procedures. The procedure to be followed in the conduct of the hearing will be determined by the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3. However, the operating policies and procedures governing the determination of the individuals who may participate in the hearing, as well as the policies and procedures defining the committee's or appropriate division steering committee's standards for consideration of information and determination of findings and penalties, shall be consistent with the established policies and procedures related to these matters that apply to hearings conducted by the Committee on Infractions. (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95*)

32.11.4 Decision Final. Any decision in an infractions case by the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3 shall be considered final. Any Management Council decision in an infractions case shall be considered final on adjournment of the Management Council meeting during which the appeal was decided, except for the January pre-Convention Management Council meeting, in which case the decision shall be considered final at the end of the Council session before the opening business session of the Convention. (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95*)

32.11.5 No Further Review. Determinations of fact and violations arrived at in the foregoing manner by the Committee on Infractions or by the appropriate appeals committee per Bylaw 19.3, on appeal, shall be final, binding and conclusive and shall not be subject to further review by the Management Council or any other authority. (*Revised: 1/16/93, 1/10/95*)

FIGURE 32-1
Processing of a Typical NCAA Infractions Case

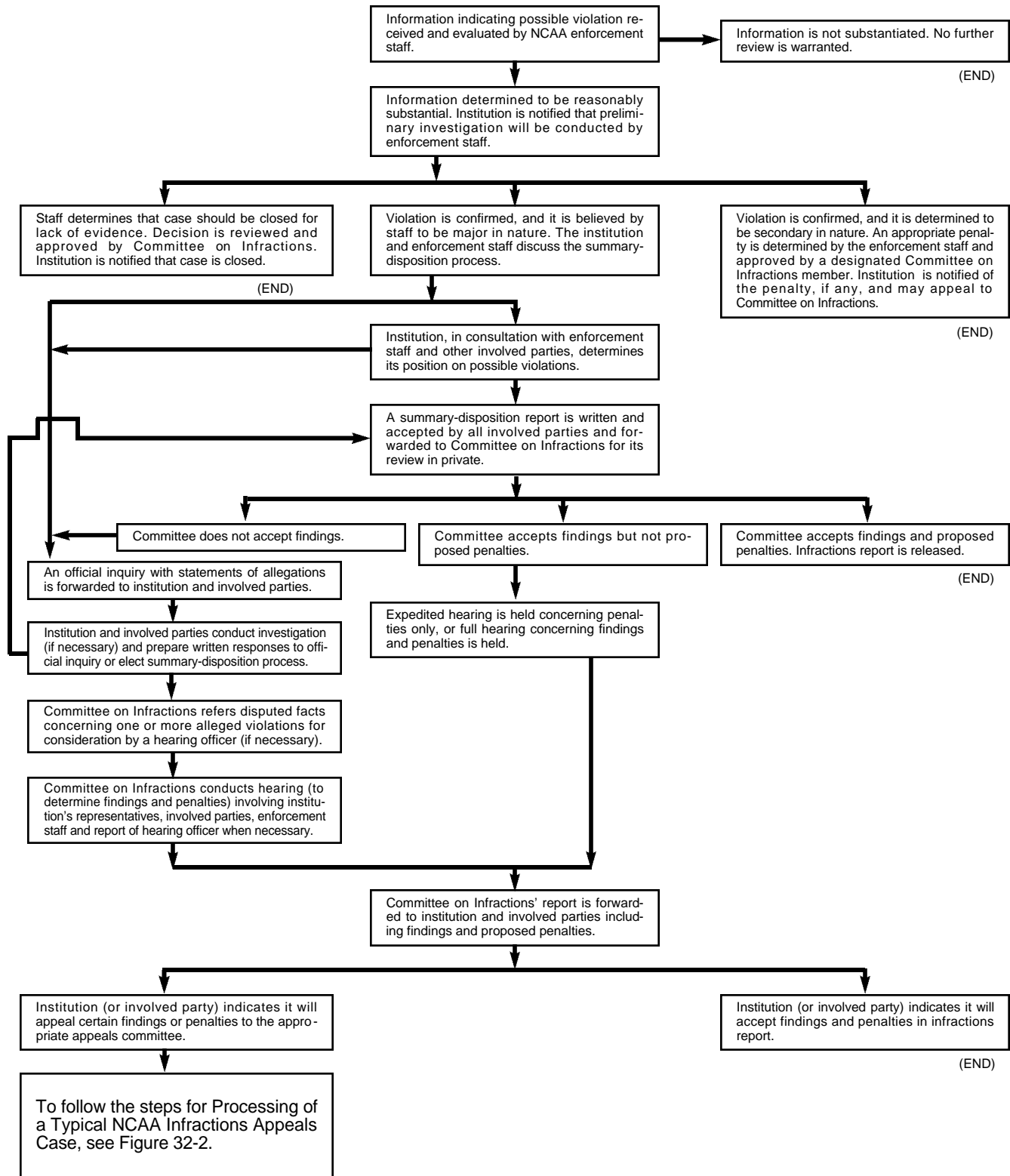
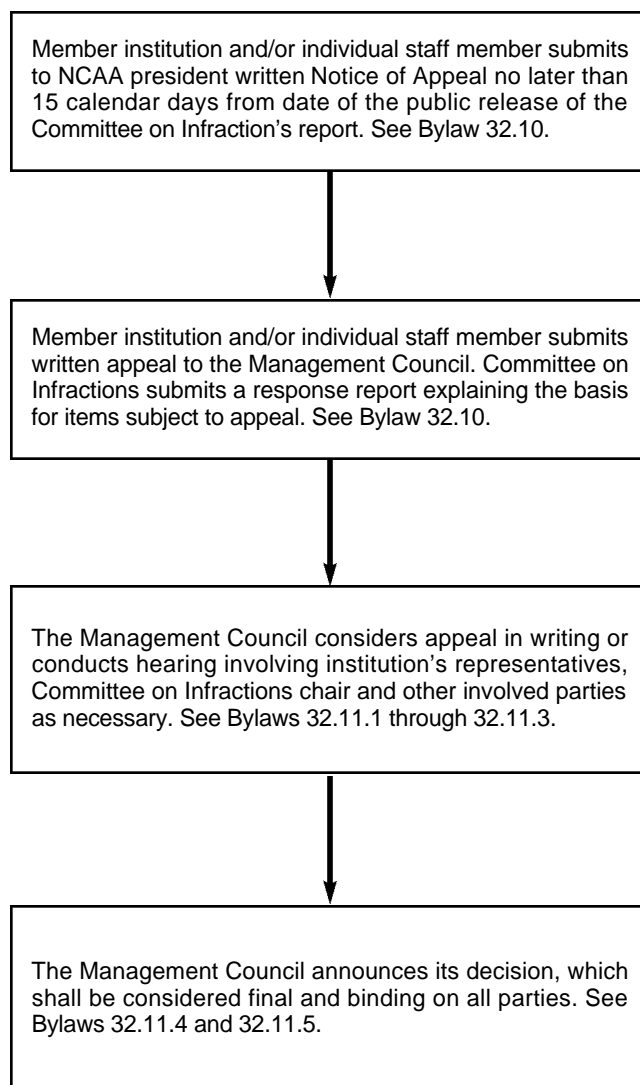


FIGURE 32-2
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